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ON REPRESENTATIONS OF FINITE  
GROUPS WITH SPLIT BN-PAIRS

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## Some Standard Notations

$|X|$  the cardinality of a set  $X$

$X \subseteq T$   $X$  is a subset of  $T$

$T \setminus X$  the complement of  $X$  in  $T$

If  $G$  is a group

$H \leq G$   $H$  is a subgroup of  $G$

$H \trianglelefteq G$   $H$  is a normal subgroup of  $G$

$\langle H_1, \dots, H_t \rangle$  the subgroup of  $G$  generated by  $H_1, \dots, H_t \subseteq G$

If  $k$  is a field and  $M$  is a  $kG$ -module affording the character  $\rho$  of  $G$

$M|_H$  the restriction of  $M$  to  $H$

$\rho|_H$  the restriction of  $\rho$  to  $H$

If  $L$  is a  $kH$ -module ( $H \leq G$ )

$L^G = \text{Ind}_H^G L$  the  $kG$ -module induced from  $L$

$\text{char } k$  the characteristic of the field  $k$

$\dim_k M$  the dimension of a  $k$ -vector space  $M$

$\underline{r}\Lambda$  the Jacobson radical of an algebra  $\Lambda$

In chapter 2 and 3,  $k$  is an arbitrary field unless otherwise is stated.

Throughout part II,  $(K, R, F)$  is a  $p$ -modular system, where  $p > 0$  is the characteristic of a finite group  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  with a split BN-pair and  $k$  is any field such that  $\text{char } k \nmid |H|$  and  $k$  is a splitting field for  $H = B \cap N$ .

## INTRODUCTION.

Let  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  be a finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$  and rank  $\ell$ . Let  $(W, \underline{R})$  be the Coxeter system of  $G$ . Let  $(K, R, F)$  be a  $p$ -modular coefficient system such that  $K$  and  $F$  are splitting fields for  $G$  and all its subgroup. The permutation FG-module  $FY = FG[U]$ , where  $[U] = \sum_{u \in U} u$ , plays an important role in the modular representations of  $G$ , since it contains every simple FG-module as a composition factor.

This thesis deals with various subjects concerning the FG-module  $FY$ . It is divided into two parts (although the division is strictly not necessary). Part I consists of the first three chapters. The main purpose of Part I is to investigate some  $kG$ -modules ( $k$  is a field) arising from some functors defined by Green in [G1].

Chapter 1 contains the basic definitions and some structure theorems of finite groups with BN-pairs.

Chapter 2 (§2.1) contains an outline of Auslander theory on the category  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  whose objects are functors defined on the category  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  of all finite dimensional left  $\Lambda$ -modules, where  $\Lambda$  is a finite dimensional algebra over a field  $k$ .

For  $V, X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , Green [G1] defined three functors

$$\ell_{V,X}, r_{V,X}, q_{V,X} : \text{mod } E(V) \rightarrow \text{mod } E(X),$$

which connect the representations of the two algebras  $E(V) = \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V)$  and  $E(X) = \text{End}_{\Lambda}(X)$ . The functor  $q_{V,X}$  sends every simple left  $E(V)$ -module

to a simple left  $E(X)$ -module  $q_{V,X}(M)$ , if  $q_{V,X}(M) \neq 0$ . §2.2 contains the description of these three functors together with some adaptation to the theory of Auslander on the classification of the simple objects in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ . In this section, we take  $\Lambda = kG$ , the group algebra of a finite group over a field  $k$ . We consider the  $E(X)$ -modules  $\ell_{V,X}(M)$ ,  $r_{V,X}(M)$  and  $q_{V,X}(M)$  in the case where  $M = k_\psi$ , a 1-dimensional left  $E(V)$ -module affording a 1-dimensional character  $\psi$  of  $E(V)$ .

In §2.3, we take  $V = kG[H]$ ,  $H \leq G$  and  $X = {}_{kG}kG$ , the regular left  $kG$ -module. We study the right  $kG$ -module  $r_{kG[H],kG}(k_\psi)$ , when  $\psi$  is a 1-dimensional character of  $\text{End}_{kG}(kG[H])$ .

In chapter 3, we take  $G = (G, B, N, R)$  to be a finite group with a BN-pair whose Coxeter system is  $(W, R)$ . The  $k$ -algebra  $E(kG[B])$  has a  $k$ -basis  $\{A_w; w \in W\}$  indexed by the elements of  $W$ . We study the right  $kG$ -module  $r_{kG[B],kG}(k_\psi)$ , where  $\psi : E(kG[B]) \rightarrow k^\times$  is the multiplicative character of  $E(kG[B])$  given by  $\psi(A_w) := (-1)^{\ell(w)}$  ( $w \in W$ ) where  $\ell$  is the length function on the elements of  $W$ . We show that  $r_{kG[B],kG}(k_\psi)$  is isomorphic to the homology module  $H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$  (Theorem 3.1.14), where  $\Delta$  is the simplicial complex of  $G$  defined by Tits [JT] and  $\ell = |R|$ . Consequently, we are able to recover some well-known results about the Steinberg representation of finite groups with BN-pairs (§3.2). In particular, we give an easy proof of the Tits-Solomon theorem on  $H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$  (their proof involves a less obvious geometrical argument).

## Part II.

Chapter 4 contains an introduction to the modular representations of finite groups with split BN-pairs. The structure of the  $R$ -order  $E(Y) = \text{End}_{RG}(RG[U])$  was discussed in §4.1. In §4.2, we outline the



theory of Curtis-Richien on the classification of the simple FG-modules, where  $G = (G, B, N, R, U)$  is a finite group with a split BN-pair.

The RG-lattice  $Y = RG[U]$  has a decomposition  $Y = \sum_{\chi \in \tilde{H}}^{\oplus} Y_{\chi}$ , where  $H = B \cap N$ ,  $\tilde{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^{\times})$  and  $Y_{\chi}$  ( $\chi \in \tilde{H}$ ) is the weight subspace of  $Y$  of weight  $\chi$  (Prop. 4.1.10).

In chapter 5, an  $R$ -order  $S_{\chi}$  is introduced, for every  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$ . The  $R$ -orders  $\{S_{\chi}, \chi \in \tilde{H}\}$  contains all the information about the  $R$ -order  $E(Y)$ . We give an  $R$ -basis for  $S_{\chi}$  ( $\chi \in \tilde{H}$ ) (Prop. 5.0.7) and in §5.1, we study the  $F$ -algebra  $FS_{\chi} = F \otimes_R S_{\chi}$ , where  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$  is regular. We determine all the simple right  $FS_{\chi}$ -modules and its Cartan matrix which turns out to be singular in general.

In chapter 6, we give a formula for calculating the characters of the RG-summands of  $Y = RG[U]$ , using the results of N. Tinberg [NT2] introduced in §4.2.

In chapter 7, we discuss the decomposition matrix  $D_{\chi}$  of the Hecke algebra  $\text{End}_{KG}(KY_{\chi})$  ( $\chi \in \tilde{H}$ ), using a recent theorem, due to Green [G2], which gives an interpretation of the decomposition numbers as multiplicities of ordinary characters of  $G$ .

In §7.2, we show that the problem of calculating  $D_{\chi}$  ( $\chi \in \tilde{H}$ ) can be reduced to the case of the Levi subgroup of some parabolic subgroup  $G_J$  of  $G$ . In the end of §7.2, we assume that  $G = G(q)$  is a member of a system of finite groups with BN-pairs. We appeal to some results in [CIK] and show that the decomposition numbers of the Hecke algebra  $E(KG[B])$  can be interpreted as multiplicities of ordinary characters of the Weyl group  $W$  of  $G$  (Prop. 7.2.31).

In §7.3, a notion of  $\theta$ -contravariant forms on  $Y_X$  ( $X \in \hat{H}$ ) is introduced, where  $\theta : G \rightarrow G$  is an anti-automorphism of  $G$  satisfying certain axioms. We show that the set  $\{Y_X ; X \in \hat{H}\}$  is closed under the  $\theta$ -duality and that the simple  $FG$ -modules are self  $\theta$ -dual. Consequently, we are able to show that the decomposition matrices  $D_X$  and  $D_{w_0 X}$  of the Hecke algebras  $E(KY_X)$  and  $E(KY_{w_0 X})$ , respectively, are identical, where  $w_0$  is the unique element of  $W$  of maximal length.

In §7.4, we consider the direct product of two finite groups with split BN-pairs. We prove some results which are relevant to the subject of chapter 7.

§7.5 contains an application of the previous results to the case of the general linear group.

## CHAPTER 1. BN-pairs

### §1.1 Groups with BN-pairs

Definition 1.1.1 (Tits [JT]): A group  $G$  is said to have a BN-pair if there exist subgroups  $B$  and  $N$  of  $G$  such that,

- (i)  $G = \langle B, N \rangle$ ,  $B \cap N \triangleleft N$ .
- (ii) The group  $W = N/BnN$  is finite and is generated by a set of involutions  $\underline{R} = \{w_1, \dots, w_\ell\}$ .
- (iii) For all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  and  $w \in W$ ,  $w_i B w \subset BwB \cup B w_i w B$ , and
- (iv) For all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ ,  $w_i B w_i \neq B$ .

The group  $W = N/BnN$  is called the Weyl group of the BN-pair, and  $\ell$  is the rank. Write  $H = BnN$ , and let  $t : N \rightarrow W$  be the natural map. The notation  $wB$ ,  $Bw$ ,  $w \in W$  means  $nB$ ,  $Bn$ , respectively, for any  $n \in N$  such that  $t(n) = w$ ; note that they are well-defined since  $H \triangleleft N$ ,  $H \leq B$ .

The following theorem relates the  $(B, B)$ -double cosets in a group  $G$  with BN-pair to the elements of the Weyl group  $W$ .

Bruhat theorem 1.1.2 ([NB], Th.1, p.25) Let  $G$  be a group with a BN-pair with Weyl group  $W$  then:

- (i)  $G = \dot{\bigcup}_{w \in W} BwB$ ,
- (ii)  $BwB = Bw'B$  implies  $w = w'$ , for  $w, w' \in W$ .

□

Matsumoto [HM] showed that the set  $\underline{R}$  generates  $W$  as a coxeter

group; thus  $W$  has a presentation

$$W = \langle w_i \in \underline{R} / w_i^2 = 1, (w_i w_j)^{n_{ij}} = 1 \rangle,$$

where  $n_{ij}$  is the order of  $w_i w_j$  ( $i \neq j$ ). Therefore  $W$  is isomorphic to a finite group generated by reflections in  $\ell$ -dimensional euclidean space ([NB] pp.25, 91). To such finite reflection group one can associate a set of roots ([RC], 2.2); we will denote the set of roots by  $\Phi$ .

$\Phi$  has a subset  $\Pi = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_\ell\}$ , whose elements are called the fundamental roots, such that every  $w_i \in W$  can be identified with the reflection in the hyperplane orthogonal to  $\alpha_i$ , and such that every  $\alpha \in \Phi$  is a linear combination  $\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \lambda_i \alpha_i$  where either each  $\lambda_i$  is non-negative or each  $\lambda_i$  is non-positive.

Let  $\Phi^+ = \{\alpha \in \Phi : \alpha = \sum \lambda_i \alpha_i, \lambda_i \geq 0\}$ ,

$$\Phi^- = \{\alpha \in \Phi : \alpha = \sum \lambda_i \alpha_i, \lambda_i \leq 0\};$$

$\Phi^+$ ,  $\Phi^-$  are called the sets of positive and negative roots respectively. Every root is the image of some fundamental root under some element of  $W$ .

If  $w \in W$ , let  $\ell(w)$  be the minimal number of terms in an expression of  $w$  as a product of generators  $w_i$ .  $w = w_{i_1} \dots w_{i_s}$  is called reduced expression for  $w$ , if  $s = \ell(w)$ .  $W$  has a unique element  $w_0$  of maximal length. We have  $\ell(w_0) = |\Phi^+|$ ,  $w_0(\Phi^+) \subset \Phi^-$ , and  $w_0^2 = 1$ .

For every subset  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , let  $W_J = \langle J \rangle$ . The elements of  $J$  generate  $W_J$  as a coxeter group. The subgroups  $W_J$ ;  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , are called the parabolic subgroups of  $W$ . If we let  $V_J$  be the set of linear

combinations of the set  $\{\alpha_i / w_i \in J\}$  , then  $W_J$  acts on  $V_J$  as a euclidean reflection group. Let  $\Phi_J = \Phi \cap V_J$  .  $\Phi_J$  is the root system of  $W_J$  . The set  $\Pi_J = \Pi \cap V_J = \{\alpha_i / w_i \in J\}$  forms the set of fundamental roots in  $\Phi_J$  . Let  $G_J = BW_JB$  .

Definition 1.1.3 A Borel subgroup of  $G$  is a subgroup conjugate to  $B$  . A parabolic subgroup of  $G$  is a subgroup conjugate to  $G_J$  for some  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  .

Theorem 1.1.4 (Tits, [JT]):

- (1) The subgroups  $G_J$  ;  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  , are the only subgroups of  $G$  containing  $B$  .
- (2) Two different parabolic subgroups which contain a common Borel subgroup are not conjugate in  $G$  .
- (3) The normalizer of a parabolic subgroup is itself.

□

Lemma 1.1.5 If  $G$  has a BN-pair  $(G, B, N, \underline{R})$  then, for all  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  ,  $G_J$  has a BN-pair  $(G_J, B, N_J, J)$ , where  $N_J$  is the inverse image of  $W_J$  under  $t$  .

□

Theorem 1.1.6 (Curtis, [C1]): Let  $G$  be a finite group with a BN-pair  $(G, B, N, \underline{R})$  , and let  $W$  be the Weyl group of  $G$  . Then the map  $G_J \rightarrow W_J$  ( $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ) gives a bijection between the family of parabolic subgroups  $G_J$  of  $G$  , which contain  $B$  , and the family of parabolic subgroups  $W_J$  of  $W$  . Furthermore there is a well defined bijection  $W_J w W_K \rightarrow G_J w G_K$  ( $w \in W$  and  $J, K \subseteq \underline{R}$ ) between the set of  $(W_J, W_K)$ -cosets of  $W$  , and the set of  $(G_J, G_K)$ -cosets of  $G$  .

## §1.2 Groups with split BN-pairs

Definition 1.2.1 A group  $G$  is said to have a split BN-pair of rank  $\ell$  and characteristic  $p$ , for some prime  $p > 0$ , if:

- (i)  $G$  has a BN-pair  $(G, B, N, \underline{R})$  of rank  $\ell$ .
- (2)  $B = UH$  where  $U$  is normal  $p$ -subgroup of  $B$ , and  $H$  is  $p'$ -subgroup of  $B$ .
- (3)  $H = \bigcap_{n \in N} B^n$ .

The axiom (3) is called "the saturation axiom". We write  $(G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  for the split BN-pair of  $G$ .

For each  $w \in W$  we choose  $(w) \in N$  such that  $t((w)) = w$  (i.e.  $(w)H = w \in W$ ).

Definition 1.2.2 For every  $w \in W$  define:

$$U_w^+ = U \cap U^w, \quad U_w^- = U \cap U^{w_0 w}$$

$$U_i = U_{w_i}^- = U \cap U^{w_i}, \quad U_{-i} = {}^{w_i}U_i, \quad U^- = U^{w_0}.$$

Since  $H$  normalizes  $U$ , these definitions are independent of the choice of the coset representatives  $(w)$ .

The proof of the following consequences of the axioms of the split BN-pair can be found either in [C2] or [FR].

Theorem 1.2.3 ([FR], 3.4): For  $w \in W$ ,

$$U = U_w^- U_w^+ = U_w^+ U_w^- \quad \text{and} \quad U_w^- \cap U_w^+ = \{1\}.$$

□

Definition ([CL], p.351). For  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ , let  $H_i = \langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle \cap H$ .

Lemma 1.2.4 (See [FR])

- (1) The coset representative  $(w_i)$  can be chosen in  $\langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle$ .
- (2)  $\langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle = U_i H_i \dot{\cup} U_i H_i (w_i) U_i$ .
- (3) The subgroups  $U_i H_i$ ,  $\langle H_i, (w_i) \rangle$  form a split BN-pair in  $\langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle$ .
- (4) If  $x \in U_i^*$ , then  $(w_i)^{-1} x (w_i) \in U_i H_i (w_i) U_i$ .

Example 1.2.5  $G = GL(n, q)$ , the group of non-singular  $n \times n$  matrices with coefficients in  $GF(q)$  where  $q$  is a power of  $p$ , for some prime  $p > 0$ . Let  $B$  be the subgroup of upper triangular matrices in  $G$ , and let  $N$  be the subgroup of monomial matrices in  $G$ , i.e.

$N = \{ (a_{ij}) \in G, (a_{ij}) \text{ has exactly one non-zero entry in each row and each column} \}$ . Then we have,  $H = B \cap N =$  subgroup of diagonal matrices.  $H$  is normal  $p'$ -subgroup in  $N$ , and  $N/H = W \cong S_n$ , the symmetric group on  $n$  letters. The group  $S_n$  can be generated by transpositions,  $\underline{R} = \{w_1 = (12), w_2 = (23), \dots, w_{n-1} = (n-1, n)\}$ .

Let  $U$  be the subgroup of upper unitriangular matrices in  $G$ ,  $U$  is normal  $p$ -subgroup of  $B$ . We also have  $B = UH$ ,  $U \cap H = \{1\}$ . It is not difficult to check that the axioms for the BN-pair are satisfied, and so  $(G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  is a split BN-pair for  $G$  (see [CRIII], p.580).

The following theorem is a consequence of 1.2.3 (see [RC], Theorem 2.5.14).

Theorem 1.2.6 Each element of a group  $G$  with split BN-pair

$(G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  is uniquely expressible in the form  $uh(w)u'$  where  $u \in U$ ,  $h \in H$ ,  $w \in W$ , and  $u' \in U_W^-$ .

□

Definition 1.2.7 For every  $w \in W$ , let

$$\Pi_W^- = \{\alpha \in \Phi^+ \mid w(\alpha) \in \Phi^-\} ,$$

$$\Pi_W^+ = \{\alpha \in \Phi^+ \mid w(\alpha) \in \Phi^+\} .$$

In the next proposition, a collection of subgroups  $\{U_\alpha; \alpha \in \Phi\}$  of  $G$  are defined on which the Weyl group  $W$  of  $G$  acts in the same way that  $W$  acts on  $\Phi$ . For every  $\alpha_i \in \Pi$ , let  $U_{\alpha_i} := U_i$ .

Proposition 1.2.8 (See [CRIII], Proposition 69.2): Let  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  be a finite group with a split BN-pair of rank  $\ell$  and characteristic  $p$ . Then

(i) There exists a bijection  $\alpha \mapsto U_\alpha$  from the root system  $\Phi$  to the set of conjugates  $\{^n U_i : n \in N, \alpha_i \in \Pi\}$ , which extends the map  $\alpha_i \mapsto U_i$ ,  $\alpha_i \in \Pi$ . For all  $w \in W$  and  $\alpha \in \Phi$ , we have

$${}^{(w)}U_\alpha = U_{w(\alpha)} .$$

(ii) For each  $w \in W$  we have

$$U_W^- = \prod_{\alpha \in \Pi_W^-} U_\alpha ,$$

with uniqueness of expression. A similar statement holds for  $U_W^+$  and  $\Pi_W^+$ . In particular,  $U_W^\pm = \langle U_\alpha : \alpha \in \Pi_W^\pm \rangle$ .



## CHAPTER 2. The Functor Category

Throughout Chapter 2,  $k$  is a field, and  $\Lambda$  is any finite dimensional  $k$ -algebra.

### §2.0 Definitions and preliminaries

Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite dimensional  $k$ -algebra. By  $\text{mod } \Lambda$  we mean the category of all finitely generated left  $\Lambda$ -modules and we denote by  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  [Fun  $\Lambda$ ] the category whose objects are all covariant [contravariant]  $k$ -linear functors  $F : \text{mod } \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Mod } k$ , where  $\text{Mod } k$  denotes the category of all vector spaces over  $k$ . If  $F_1, F_2 \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  [Fun  $\Lambda$ ], the morphisms  $\alpha : F_1 \rightarrow F_2$  are natural transformations from  $F_1$  to  $F_2$  ([R] p.43). If  $V, X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , we let  $(X, V)_\Lambda = \text{Hom}_\Lambda(X, V)$  and  $E(V) = \text{End}_\Lambda(V) = (V, V)_\Lambda$ . For every  $\Lambda$ -module  $V$ , the functor  $(V, )$  [ $(, V)$ ], which sends  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  to the  $k$ -space  $(V, X)_\Lambda$  [ $(X, V)_\Lambda$ ], is an object of  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  [Fun  $\Lambda$ ]. If  $F', F \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  we say that  $F'$  is a subfunctor of  $F$  (written  $F' \leq F$ ) if for every  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ ,  $F'(X)$  is a  $k$ -subspace of  $F(X)$  and the inclusion map  $i_X : F'(X) \rightarrow F(X)$  is natural in  $X$ , that is if  $Y \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  and  $f \in (X, Y)_\Lambda$  then the following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(X) & \xrightarrow{F(f)} & F(Y) \\ i_X \uparrow & & \uparrow i_Y \\ F'(X) & \xrightarrow{F'(f)} & F'(Y) \end{array}$$

commutes.

A functor  $F \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  is said to be simple if it is non-zero and has no proper subfunctor.

If  $F' \leq F \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  we define the quotient functor  $F/F' \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  to be the functor given by

$$(F/F')(X) := F(X)/F'(X) \quad \text{for all } X \in \text{mod } \Lambda ,$$

and  $F/F'$  takes any morphism  $f \in (X, Y)_{\Lambda}$  ,  $X, Y \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  , to the  $k$ -map

$$(F/F')(f) : F(X)/F'(X) \rightarrow F(Y)/F'(Y)$$

induced by  $F(f) : F(X) \rightarrow F(Y)$  . If  $X_1, X_2 \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  , and  $X_1$  is  $\Lambda$ -submodule of  $X_2$  , we write  $X_1 \leq_{\Lambda} X_2$  .

## §2.1 The Simple Objects of $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ : ([MA], [G1])

In [MA], Auslander studied the category  $\text{Fun } \Lambda$  (he named it  $\text{Mod mod } \Lambda$ ) and characterized the simple objects of this category. In this section we outline the theory of Auslander, using the category  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  instead of  $\text{Fun } \Lambda$  .

Given  $F \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  and  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  , the  $k$ -space  $F(V)$  has a structure of a left  $E(V)$ -module by setting:

$$h.x := F(h).x \quad \text{for all } h \in E(V) , x \in F(V) .$$

The "evaluation functor"  $e_V : \text{Cov } \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Mod } E(V)$  , for every  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  is given by:

$$e_V(F) := F(V) \text{ and } e_V(\alpha) := \alpha_V : F_1(V) \rightarrow F_2(V) ,$$

for any object  $F$  and morphism  $\alpha : F_1 \rightarrow F_2$  in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  .

The functor  $e_V$  induces a map:

$e_V : \{\text{all sub functors } F' \leq F\} \rightarrow \{\text{all } E(V)\text{-submodules of } F(V)\} .$

Definition ([G1], 3.1): If  $M \leq_{E(V)} F(V)$  , and  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  define:

$$b_V(M)(X) := \{x \in F(X) \mid F(g)(x) \in M, \forall g \in (X, V)\} .$$

$b_V(M)$  defines a subfunctor of  $F$  , and  $b_V$  induces a map:

$$b_V : \{\text{all } M \leq_{E(V)} F(V)\} \rightarrow \{\text{all } F' \leq F\} .$$

Proposition 2.1.1 ([A], p.281, see also [G1], §9): Given  $F$  and  $V$  as above:

$$(i) \quad e_V b_V(M) = M \text{ for all } M \leq_{E(V)} F(V) .$$

$$(ii) \quad F' \leq b_V e_V(F') \text{ for all } F' \leq F .$$

$$(iii) \quad b_V(F(V)) = F .$$

$$(iv) \quad \text{If } M_1 \text{ and } M_2 \text{ are } E(V)\text{-submodules of } F(V) , \text{ then} \\ M_1 \leq M_2 \text{ implies } b_V(M_1) \leq b_V(M_2) .$$

$$(v) \quad \text{If } F' \underset{\text{max}}{<} F \text{ then } \underline{\text{either}} \quad F'(V) = F(V) \quad \underline{\text{or}} \quad F'(V) \underset{\text{max}}{<}_{E(V)} F(V) \\ \text{and } b_V e_V(F') = F' .$$

Here  $F' \underset{\text{max}}{<} F$  ,  $F'(V) \underset{\text{max}}{<}_{E(V)} F(V)$  means maximal subfunctor, maximal  $E(V)$ -submodules, respectively.

Proof

$$(i) \quad \text{Let } F' = b_V(M) \text{ and consider } e_V(F') .$$

$$\begin{aligned} e_V(F') &= F'(V) \\ &= \{x \in F(V) \mid F(g)(x) \in M, \forall g \in E(V)\} . \end{aligned}$$

By putting  $g = 1_{E(V)}$ , we have

$$x \in e_V(F') \text{ implies } x \in M, \text{ hence } e_V(F') \subseteq M .$$

Conversely suppose  $x \in M$ , then for every  $g \in E(V)$ ,  $F(g)(x) = g.x \in M$ , since  $M$  is  $E(V)$ -submodule of  $F(V)$ . Therefore  $x \in F'(V) (= e_V(F'))$  and so

$$e_V b_V(M) = e_V(F') = F'(V) = M .$$

(ii) Given  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , we show that  $F'(X) \leq (b_V e_V(F'))(X)$ . By the definition we have  $b_V e_V(F') = b_V(F'(V))$  and

$$b_V(F'(V))(X) = \{x \in F(X) \mid F(g)(x) \in F'(V) \text{ for all } g \in (X, V)\} .$$

But since  $F' \leq F$ , it follows that for every  $g \in (X, V)$  we have a commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F(X) & \xrightarrow{F(g)} & F(V) \\ \uparrow i_X & & \uparrow i_V \\ F'(X) & \xrightarrow{F'(g)} & F'(V) . \end{array}$$

Hence,

$$x \in F(X) \Rightarrow F(g)(x) \in F'(V) \text{ for all } g \in (X, V) ;$$

$$\text{i.e. } x \in b_V(F'(V))(X) = b_V e_V(F')(X) .$$

Therefore  $F'(X) \leq (b_V e_V(F'))(X)$  for all  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ .

To complete the proof we need to show that the inclusion map

$i_X : F'(X) \rightarrow (b_V e_V(F'))(X)$  is natural in  $X$ . So let  $\theta : X \rightarrow V$  be a  $\Lambda$ -map ( $X, V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ ). Consider the following diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 F(X) & \xrightarrow{F(\theta)} & F(V) \\
 \uparrow & \text{1} & \uparrow \\
 b_V e_V(F')(X) & \xrightarrow{b_V e_V(F')(\theta)} & b_V e_V(F')(V) \\
 \uparrow i_X & \text{2} & \uparrow i_V \\
 F'(X) & \xrightarrow{F'(\theta)} & F'(V)
 \end{array}$$

Since  $F' \leq F$  and  $b_V e_V(F') = b_V(F'(V)) \leq F$ , it follows that the outer diagram and diagram 1 commute, therefore diagram 2 also commutes.

This completes the proof of (ii).

(iii) and (iv) follow directly.

(v) To prove (v) assume that  $F'(V) \neq F(V)$ , then  $F'(V) < F(V)$ . By (ii) we have  $F' \leq b_V e_V(F') = b_V(F'(V))$ . Therefore, since  $F' < F$ ,  $\max$  either  $F' = b_V(F'(V))$  or  $F = b_V(F'(V))$ , but the latter possibility can not happen, since  $b_V(F(V)) = F$  (by (iii)) and  $b_V$  is injective (by (i)). Therefore  $b_V(F'(V)) = F'$  or equivalently  $b_V e_V(F') = F'$ . Now suppose that there exist an  $E(V)$ -submodule of  $F(V)$  with

$$(*) \quad F'(V) < M < F(V) .$$

Since  $b_V$  is injective, by applying  $b_V$  to (\*), we get  $b_V e_V(F') < b_V(M) < F$ , by (iii). But by (ii) we have  $F' \leq b_V e_V(F')$  and so  $F' < b_V(M) < F$  which is contradiction since  $F' < F$ . Therefore  $\max$   $F'(V)$  is maximal  $E(V)$ -submodule of  $F(V)$ . This completes the proof of 2.1.1. □

Now let  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  and let  $F = (V, )$ . We have  $e_V(F) = F(V) = E(V)$ .

Lemma 2.1.2 If  $F' < (V, )$ , then  $F'(V)$  is a proper left ideal of  $E(V)$ .

Proof Suppose  $F' < (V, )$  with  $F'(V) = E(V)$ . For any  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  and  $f \in (V, X)$ , we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E(V) & \xrightarrow{(V, f)} & (V, X) \\ i_V \uparrow & & \uparrow i_X \quad (\text{here } (V, f) = (V, )(f)) \\ F'(V) & \xrightarrow{F'(f)} & F(X) \end{array} .$$

Therefore  $(V, f)$  maps  $F'(V)$  into  $F'(X)$ , hence  $(V, f)(1_{E(V)}) (=f) \in F'(X)$ . Since that is true for arbitrary  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  and  $f \in (V, X)$ , we then have  $F'(X) = (V, X)$ , and so  $F' = (V, )$ , which contradicts our hypothesis. Therefore  $F'(V)$  is a proper left ideal of  $E(V)$ .  $\square$

Now we come to a theorem due to M. Auslander which characterizes the simple objects in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ .

Theorem 2.1.3 (Auslander [MA], 1.6, p.275)

(i) If  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , then  $e_V$  and  $b_V$  induce a bijection:

$$\{F' < (V, )\}_{\max} \xleftrightarrow[b_V]{e_V} \{\text{maximal left ideals of } E(V)\} .$$

(ii) Given any simple object  $S \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$ , there exist  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  such that  $S \cong (V, )/F'$  for some  $F' < (V, )_{\max}$ .

Proof

(i) From lemma 2.1.2 and proposition 2.1.1(v), we have  $F' < (V, )_{\max}$

implies  $F'(V)$  is maximal left ideal in  $(V, V) = E(V)$ . Conversely suppose that  $M$  is a maximal left ideal of  $E(V)$ , then  $b_V(M)$  is a proper subfunctor, for if  $b_V(M) = (V, )$ , then by 2.1.1(i),  $e_V b_V(M) = M = (V, V) = E(V)$ , contradiction. To show that  $b_V(M) <_{\max} (V, )$ , suppose that there exists a subfunctor  $F'$  of  $(V, )$  such that

$$(**) \quad b_V(M) < F' < (V, ) .$$

By 2.1.1(i) and 2.1.2, applying  $e_V$  to  $(**)$  we get  $M \leq F'(V) < E(V)$ . But since  $M$  is a maximal ideal of  $E(V)$ , it follows that  $F'(V) = M$ , and so by 2.1.1(ii), we have  $F' \leq b_V(F'(V)) = b_V(M)$ . Therefore  $b_V(M) = F'$  and so  $b_V(M)$  is maximal subfunctor of  $(V, )$ , which completes the proof of (i).

To prove (ii) we need the following lemma.

Yoneda's lemma: (see [SM], p.61): If  $F \in \text{Cov } \Lambda$  and  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , then the map  $\eta : ((V, ), F)_{\text{Cov } \Lambda} \rightarrow F(V)$ , given by  $\eta(t) := t_V(1_V)$  is a bijection. Here  $t_V : (V, V) \rightarrow F(V)$  is the map defined by the natural transformation  $t : (V, ) \rightarrow F$ .

□

Proof of 2.1.3(ii) Since  $S \neq 0$ , there exists  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  such that  $S(V) \neq 0$ , and so by Yoneda's lemma, there is a non-zero morphism  $\alpha : (V, ) \rightarrow S$ . But since  $S$  is simple, it follows that  $\alpha$  is an epimorphism and so  $\text{Ker } \alpha$  is maximal subfunctor, therefore we have  $S \cong (V, ) / \text{Ker } \alpha$ . This completes the proof of (ii).

□

Now suppose that  $L \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  is indecomposable. Take  $V = L$  in Theorem 2.1.3. Then  $E(L)$  is a local ring ([CRII], p.111) and so has precisely one maximal left ideal, namely  $\underline{r}(E(L))$  (Jacobson radical). By 2.1.3(i),  $(L, )$  has a unique maximal subfunctor  $\underline{r}(L, )$ , where  $\underline{r}(L, ) := b_L(\underline{r}(E(L)))$  given by,

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{r}(L, )(X) &:= \underline{r}(L, X) \\ &= \{f \in (L, X) \mid gf \in \underline{r}(E(L)), \forall g \in (X, L)\} .\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $SL := (L, )/\underline{r}(L, )$  is simple object of  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ . Conversely, every simple object  $S$  of  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  has the form  $SL$  for some indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -module  $L$ , since it is clear that, in 2.1.3(ii), we can assume that  $V = L$  is indecomposable, hence  $\text{Ker } \alpha$  (in the proof of 2.1.3(ii)) will be the unique maximal subfunctor  $\underline{r}(L, )$ . Summarizing the above we have:

Corollary 2.1.4 (Auslander, [MA]) Every simple object in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  has the form  $SL$  for some indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -module  $L$ .  $\square$

Proposition 2.1.5 Let  $L$  be an indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -module.

(i) If  $X$  is an indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -module, and  $X \not\cong L$ , then  $SL(X) = 0$ .

(ii) If  $X = \coprod_{i \in I} X_i$ , where  $X_i$  is indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -module, for each  $i \in I$ , then  $SL(X) \cong D(L)^n$ , where

$$n = \# \{i \in I \mid X_i \cong L\} := \text{multiplicity of } L \text{ in } X ,$$

$$\text{and } D(L) := E(L)/\underline{r}(E(L)) .$$



Proof It is clear that (ii) follows directly from (i). To prove (i) it is enough to show that  $\underline{r}(L, X) = (L, X)$ . By definition  $\underline{r}(L, X) = \{f \in (L, X) \mid gf \in \underline{r}(E(L)) \ \forall g \in (X, L)\}$ . Since  $L$  is indecomposable,  $E(L)$  is local algebra, and so  $\underline{r}(E(L))$  consists of the non-isomorphisms in  $E(L)$  ([CR], p.111).

Hence we have

$$\underline{r}(L, X) = \{f \in (L, X) \mid gf \text{ is non-isomorphism for all } g \in (X, L)\}.$$

Given  $0 \neq f \in (L, X)$ ,  $f$  can not be isomorphism, since  $L \not\cong X$ . Let  $g$  be any element of  $(X, L)$ . The result will follow if we show that  $gf$  is non-isomorphism. If  $gf$  is an isomorphism, then by triangle lemma (see appendix, lemma 2) we have

$$X \cong \text{Im } f \oplus \text{Ker } g,$$

where  $\text{Im } f := \text{Image of } f$  and  $\text{Ker } g = \text{kernel of } g$ . But since  $\text{Im } f \neq 0$ , and  $X$  is indecomposable, we then have  $\text{Im } f \cong X$ , which contradicts the assumption that  $X \not\cong L$ . Therefore  $gf \in E(L)$  is non-isomorphism for all  $g \in (X, L)$  and so  $\underline{r}(L, X) = (L, X)$ . This completes the proof of 2.1.5(ii). □

Proposition 2.1.6 ([MA], 1.4(b)) Suppose that  $S$  is a simple object in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ , and let  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ . If  $S(X) \neq 0$ , then  $S(X)$  is simple  $E(X)$ -module.

Proof By 2.1.3(ii),  $S \cong (X, )/F'$ , for some maximal subfunctor  $F'$  of  $(X, )$ . Therefore we have a short exact sequence

$$2.1.7 \quad 0 \rightarrow F' \rightarrow (X, ) \rightarrow S \rightarrow 0$$

in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ . Applying the evaluation functor  $e_X$  to the sequence 2.1.7, and since  $e_X$  is exact functor (see [G1], §1), we get a short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow F'(X) \rightarrow (X, X) \rightarrow S(X) \rightarrow 0$$

in  $\text{mod } E(X)$ . By 2.1.3(i)  $F'(X)$  is a maximal left ideal of  $(X, X) = E(X)$ , and so  $S(X) \cong (X, X)/F'(X)$  is simple  $E(X)$ -module.  $\square$

Now suppose that

$$2.1.8 \quad V = V_1 \oplus \dots \oplus V_t$$

is a decomposition of  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  into a direct sum of indecomposable  $\Lambda$ -modules. For each  $i \in \{1, \dots, t\}$ , let  $\mu_i : V_i \rightarrow V$  be the inclusion map, and  $\pi_i : V \rightarrow V_i$  be the projection of  $V$  onto  $V_i$ . Putting  $e_i = \mu_i \pi_i$ , it is well-known that  $1_{E(V)} = \sum_{i=1}^t e_i$  is the orthogonal idempotent decomposition of  $1_{E(V)}$  corresponding to the decomposition 2.1.8 of  $V$ .

The following theorem relates the simple functors  $SV_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ ) with the simple quotient functors of  $(V, )$  described in theorem 2.1.3.

Theorem 2.1.9 (Auslander): Suppose  $V \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  has a decomposition 2.1.8, and let  $M$  be any maximal left ideal of  $E(V)$ . Then

- (i) There is at least one  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, t\}$  such that  $e_i \notin M$ .
- (ii) If  $e_i \notin M$ , then  $(V, )/b_V(M) \cong SV_i$ .

Proof

- (i) If  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_t$  are all in  $M$ , then  $1_{E(V)} = \sum_{i=1}^t e_i \in M$ ,

which would imply  $M = E(V)$ .

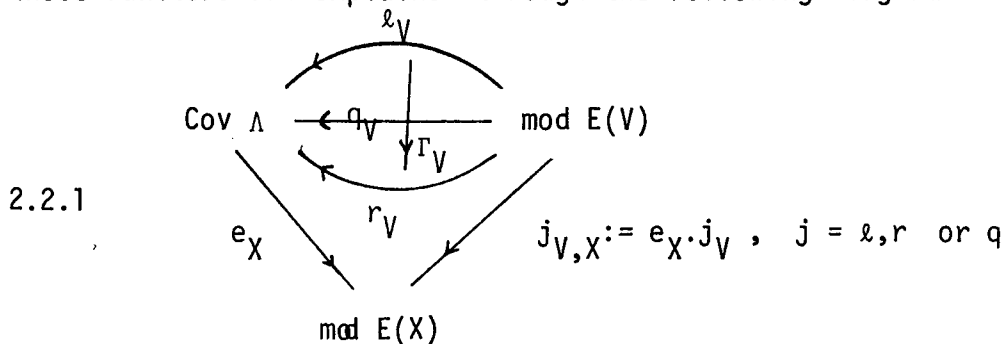
(ii) Assume  $e_i \notin M$ . By 2.1.3(i),  $b_V(M)$  is a maximal subfunctor of  $(V, )$ . We have  $((V, )/b_V(M))(V_i) = (V, V_i)/b_V(M)(V_i)$ , and  $b_V(M)(V_i) = \{f \in (V, V_i) \mid gf \in M, \forall g \in (V_i, V)\}$ . But since  $\mu_i \pi_i = e_i \notin M$ , it follows that  $\pi_i \notin b_V(M)(V_i)$ , hence  $(V, V_i)/b_V(M)(V_i) = ((V, )/b_V(M))(V_i) \neq 0$ . Therefore, using 2.1.3(i) and 2.1.5(i), we conclude that  $(V, )/b_V(M) \cong SV_i$ .  $\square$

## §2.2 The functors defined by Green

Let  $V, X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ . In [G1], Green defined three functors,

$$\ell_{V,X}, r_{V,X}, q_{V,X} : \text{mod } E(V) \rightarrow \text{mod } E(X)$$

which connect the representation of the  $k$ -algebras  $E(V)$  and  $E(X)$ , those functors are explained through the following diagram



where if  $M \in \text{mod } E(V)$ , then

$$\ell_V(M) := (V, ) \otimes_{E(V)} M$$

$$r_V(M) := ((, V), M)_{E(V)}$$

and the natural transformation  $\Gamma_V : \ell_V \rightarrow r_V$  is defined as follows:

Given  $M \in \text{mod } E(V)$  and  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  the map:

$$2.2.2 \quad \Gamma_V(M)(X) : (V, X) \underset{E(V)}{\otimes} M \rightarrow ((X, V), M)_{E(V)}$$

is given by:  $g \otimes m \mapsto \{f \mapsto (fg)m\}$  for all  $g \in (V, X)$ ,  $m \in M$ , and  $f \in (X, V)$ .

The functor  $q_V : \text{mod } E(V) \rightarrow \text{Cov } \Lambda$  is defined as a quotient functor of  $\ell_V$  as follows:

$$q_V := \ell_V / \text{Ker } \Gamma_V.$$

Let  $j_V$  be one of the functors

$$\ell_V, r_V, q_V : \text{mod } E(V) \rightarrow \text{Cov } \Lambda$$

and for  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , let  $j_{V,X} := e_X \cdot j_V : \text{mod } E(V) \rightarrow \text{mod } E(X)$

(thus  $j_{V,X}(M) := j_V(M)(X)$ ,  $\forall M \in \text{mod } E(V)$ ).

Theorem 2.2.3 (Green [G1], Thm. 1.9, Prop. 5.2) Suppose  $M \in \text{mod } E(V)$  is simple:

- (i)  $q_V(M)$  is simple in  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$ .
- (ii) If  $q_{V,X}(M)$  is not zero,  $\text{Ker } \Gamma_{V,X}(M)$  is the unique maximal  $E(X)$ -submodule of  $\ell_{V,X}(M)$  and  $\text{Im } \Gamma_{V,X}(M)$  is the unique minimal  $E(X)$ -submodule of  $r_{V,X}(M)$  where  $\Gamma_{V,X}(M)$  is given by 2.2.2. It follows that  $q_{V,X}(M)$  is a simple  $E(X)$ -module.  $\square$

From now on we will assume that  $M$  is <sup>a</sup>one-dimensional  $E(V)$ -module (hence simple). Let  $\psi : E(V) \rightarrow k$  be the one-dimensional character of

$E(V)$  afforded by  $M$ , and write  $M = k_\psi$ , which means  $k$  regarded as  $E(V)$ -module with  $E(V)$  acting according to  $\psi$  (i.e.  $h.c = \psi(h).c$  for every  $h \in E(V)$ ,  $c \in k$ ).

Definition 2.2.4 (Green, [G1], p.266)

(i) For any right  $E(V)$ -module  $P$ , define  $A_\psi(P) := \sum_{h \in E(V)} P(h - \psi(h))1_V$

and  $I_\psi(P) := \{p \in P \mid ph = \psi(h)p, \forall h \in E(V)\}$ .  $P/A_\psi(P)$  and  $I_\psi(P)$  are the largest quotient module and submodule of  $P$ , respectively, on which  $E(V)$  acts according to  $\psi$ .

(ii) Dual functors: Define a functor  $D : \text{Fun } \Lambda \rightarrow \text{Cov } \Lambda$  as follows: If  $F \in \text{Fun } \Lambda$  we let  $DF$  be the object of  $\text{Cov } \Lambda$  given by  $DF(X) := D(F(X))$  for all  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , where  $D$  means the "usual" dual of vector spaces. Note that if  $F(X)$  is an  $A$ -module for a finite dimensional  $k$ -algebra  $A$ , then  $D(F(X))$  is naturally a right  $A$ -module.

It turns out (see [G1] p.264) that when  $M = k_\psi$ , the functor  $\ell_V(k_\psi)$  is isomorphic to a quotient functor of  $(V, )$  and  $r_V(k_\psi)$  is isomorphic to a subfunctor of  $D(, V)$  as the following proposition shows.

Proposition 2.2.5 ([G1], Prop. 5.10): Suppose  $V, X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ , and let  $\psi : E(V) \rightarrow k$  be a multiplicative character of  $E(V)$ . Then

$$(i) \ell_V(k_\psi) \cong (V, )/A_\psi(V, ) ,$$

$$r_V(k_\psi) \cong I_\psi(D(, V)) ,$$

$$q_V(k_\psi) \cong (V, )/U_\psi(V, ) ,$$

where  $A_\psi(V, )$  and  $U_\psi(V, )$  are subfunctors of  $(V, )$  given by:

$A_\psi(V, )(X) := A_\psi(V, X)$ ,  $U_\psi(V, )(X) := U_\psi(V, X) := \{g \in (V, X) \mid \psi(fg) = 0, \text{ for all } f \in (X, V)\}$ , and  $I_\psi(D(, V))(X) = I_\psi(D(X, V))$ , for all  $X \in \text{mod } \Lambda$ ,

where  $(V, X)$   $[(X, V)]$  are regarded as right [left]  $E(V)$ -modules.

(ii) The map  $\Gamma_{V, X}(k_\psi) : \ell_{V, X}(k_\psi) \rightarrow r_{V, X}(k_\psi)$ , defined in 2.2.2, induces a map

2.2.7  $\Omega : (V, X) \rightarrow D(X, V)$ , given by:

$\Omega(f) := \{g \mapsto \psi(gf)\}$ , for all  $f \in (V, X)$ ,  $g \in (X, V)$ , and

$\text{Im } \Omega \cong q_{V, X}(k_\psi)$ . □

Notice that  $(V, X)$  and  $D(X, V)$  are (both) right  $E(V)$ -modules and left  $E(X)$ -modules, and that the map  $\Omega$  of 2.2.7 is an  $E(V)$ -map and an  $E(X)$ -map (since  $\Omega$  is natural in both  $V$  and  $X$ ).

Now suppose that  $1_{E(V)} = e_1 + \dots + e_t$  is an orthogonal idempotent decomposition of  $1_{E(V)}$  in  $E(V)$ , then there is a unique  $j \in \{1, \dots, t\}$  such that  $\psi(e_j) = \psi(1_{E(V)}) = 1_k$ ; put such  $e_j = e_\psi$ , and let  $e_\psi(V) = V_\psi$  (i.e.,  $V_\psi$  is the indecomposable direct summand of  $V$  which corresponds to the one-dimensional character  $\psi$ ). Consider the subfunctor  $U_\psi(V, )$  of  $(V, )$  defined in 2.2.5

$$\begin{aligned} U_\psi(V, X) &:= \{f \in (V, X) \mid \psi(gf) = 0 \ \forall g \in (X, V)\} \\ &= \{f \in (V, X) \mid gf \in \text{Ker } \psi \ \forall g \in (X, V)\} \end{aligned}$$

putting  $\text{Ker } \psi = M_1$ ,  $M_1$  is a maximal ideal of  $E(V)$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2.2.8 \quad U_\psi(V, X) &= \{f \in (V, X) \mid (V, g)(f) \in M_1, \ \forall g \in (X, V)\} \\ &= b_V(M_1)(X) \quad (\text{see §2.1}). \end{aligned}$$

2.2.8 together with 2.2.5 and 2.1.9 and the fact that  $e_\psi \notin M_1$  (since  $\psi(e_\psi) = 1_k \neq 0$ ) imply the following:

Lemma 2.2.9 Let  $V$  and  $\psi$  be as above. Then  $q_V(k_\psi) \cong SV_\psi$ , where  $V_\psi$  is the indecomposable direct summand of  $V$  which corresponds to the one-dimensional character  $\psi$ .  $\square$

The Group algebra case: Now let  $\Lambda = kG$ , the Group algebra of a finite group  $G$ . If  $X$  is a subset of  $G$ , we write  $[X] = \sum_{x \in X} x$ .

Let  $H$  be a subgroup of  $G$ , and let  $V = kG[H]$ . We will see that this will simplify the functors  $\ell_V(k_\psi)$ ,  $r_V(k_\psi)$ ,  $q_V(k_\psi)$  and the map  $\Omega : (V, X) \rightarrow D(X, Y)$  defined in 2.2.7 will have a better shape (see [G1], p.267). The  $kG$ -module  $V = kG[H]$  has a  $k$ -basis  $\{t[H], t \in T\}$  where  $T$  is a transversal for the set  $\{gH, g \in G\}$ . An element  $g$  of  $G$  acts on  $t[H]$  by the rule:

$$g.t[H] := gt[H] .$$

We take  $1$  ( $\in G$ ) to be representative of the left coset  $H$ . Every element of  $kG[H]$  has the form  $\sum_{t \in T} c_t t[H]$ ,  $c_t \in k$ , and it is clear that  $V = kG[H]$  is isomorphic to the induced  $kG$ -module  $k_H^G$  from the trivial  $kH$ -module  $k_H$ .

It is well-known (see [CRII], §11D) that the endomorphism algebra  $E(V)$  has a  $k$ -basis  $\{A_D \mid D \in H \backslash G / H\}$  indexed by the set  $H \backslash G / H$  of all double Cosets  $HgH$  in  $G$ , where  $A_D \in E(V)$  is given by:

$$A_D([H]) := a_D[H], \text{ where } a_D = \sum_{\substack{t \in T \\ tH \subseteq D}} t .$$

From "Frobenius reciprocity" theorem for modules (see [CRI] p.232)

it follows that:

$$(V, \cdot)(X) := (V, X)_{kG} \cong (k_H, X)_{kH} ,$$

and

$$(\cdot, V)(X) := (X, V)_{kG} \cong (X, k_H)_{kH} .$$

Therefore, there is a commutative diagram: (see [G1], p.269)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (V, X) & \xrightarrow{\Omega} & D(X, V) \\ \gamma_X \downarrow & & \downarrow \pi_X \\ I_H(X) & \xrightarrow{\Omega_1} & X/A_H X , \end{array}$$

where  $I_H(X) := \{x \in X \mid hx = x, \forall h \in H\}$  ,

and  $A_H X := \sum_{h \in H} (h-1)X$  . The maps  $\gamma_X$  and  $\pi_X$  are  $k$ -isomorphisms

defined as follows:  $\gamma_X : (V, X) \rightarrow I_H(X)$  is given by

$$\gamma_X(f) := f([H]) \text{ for all } f \in (V, X) .$$

To define  $\pi_X : D(X, V) \rightarrow X/A_H X$  , let  $\delta : V \rightarrow k$  be the  $kH$ -map defined by  $\delta(\sum_t c_t t[H]) = c_1$  , then the  $k$ -map  $\pi_X$  is defined as follows:

for  $\theta \in D(X, V)$  ,  $\pi_X(\theta) = x + A_H X$  ,  $x \in X$  , if and only if

$\theta(f) = \delta f(x)$  for all  $f \in (X, V)$  . Finally the map  $\Omega_1 : I_H(X) \rightarrow X/A_H X$  is given by:

$$2.2.11 \quad \Omega_1(x) := ax + A_H X$$

where  $a$  is any element of  $kG$  which satisfies the following:

$$2.2.12 \quad \text{If } a = \sum_{g \in G} c_g g^{-1} , \text{ then } \sum_{g \in D} c_g = \psi(A_D), \text{ for all } D \in H \backslash G / H .$$



Since  $(V, X)$  and  $D(X, V)$  are both right  $E(V)$ -modules and since  $\gamma_X, \pi_X$  are  $k$ -isomorphisms it follows that  $I_H(X)$  and  $X/A_H X$  both have a structure of right  $E(V)$ -module. The  $E(V)$ -actions on  $I_H(X)$  and  $X/A_H X$  (denoted by  $\circ$ ) were described in ([G1], p.268) as follows: Let  $S$  be a transversal of the set  $\{Hg \mid g \in G\}$ , thus  $G = \dot{\bigcup}_{s \in S} Hs$ . Then for every  $D \in H \backslash G/H$

$$x \circ A_D = a_D x \quad \text{for all } x \in I_H(X)$$

2.2.13 and

$$(x + A_H X) \circ A_D = a_D' x + A_H X \quad x \in X$$

where 
$$a_D' = \sum_{\substack{s \in S \\ Hs \subseteq D}} s \quad \text{and} \quad a_D = \sum_{\substack{t \in T \\ tH \subseteq D}} t .$$

Remark 2.2.14 Since the  $kG$ -module  $X$  is a left  $E(X)$ -module, in a natural way (i.e.  $fx := f(x)$ , for all  $f \in E(X)$ ,  $x \in X$ ), it follows that both  $X/A_H X$  and  $I_H(X)$  are left  $E(X)$ -modules, and it is not difficult to see that the maps  $\gamma_X$ , and  $\pi_X$  of 2.2.10 are both  $(E(X), E(V))$ -isomorphisms.

The following proposition summarizes the above argument.

Proposition 2.2.15 ([G1], Prop. 5.21) Let  $V = kG[H]$ ,  $H \leq G$ , let  $\psi : E(V) \rightarrow k$  be a multiplicative character of  $E(V)$ , let  $X$  be any  $kG$ -module, then:

(i)  $I_H(X)$  and  $X/A_H X$  are  $(E(X), E(V))$ -bimodules with  $E(V)$  and  $E(X)$  acting according to 2.2.13, and 2.2.14, respectively. The  $E(V)$ -action on these sets commutes with the  $E(X)$ -action.

$$(ii) \quad \ell_{V,X}(k_\psi) \cong I_H(X)/A_\psi I_H(X) ,$$

$$r_{V,X}(k_\psi) \cong I_\psi(X/A_H X) .$$

(iii) The map  $\Gamma_{V,X}(k_\psi) : \ell_{V,X}(k_\psi) \rightarrow r_{V,X}(k_\psi)$  is induced by the map  $\Omega_1 : I_H(X) \rightarrow X/A_H X$ , given by 2.2.11.

$$(iv) \quad q_{V,X}(k_\psi) \cong I_H(X)/\text{Ker } \Omega_1 \cong \text{Im } \Omega_1 .$$

□

Notice that, by theorem 2.2.3,  $q_{V,X}(k_\psi)$  is a simple left  $E(X)$ -module, if it is not zero.

In §2.3 we will concentrate on the left  $E(X)$ -module  $r_{V,X}(k_\psi)$ . In particular we will assume that  $X = {}_k kG$ , the regular left  $kG$ -module. Since  $E(kG) \cong (kG)^{\text{op}}$ , the opposite ring of  $kG$ , the set  $I_H(kG)$  and  $kG/A_H(kG)$  will have the structure of right  $(E(V), kG)$ -modules. In each case the right  $E(V)$ -action commutes with the right  $kG$ -action, by 2.2.15(i).

### §2.3 The $kG$ -module $r_{kG[H], kG}(k_\psi)$ :

Lemma 2.3.1 If  $V = kG[H]$ ,  $H \leq G$ , and  $X = {}_k kG$ , then  $X/A_H X$  and  $I_H(X)$  defined in 2.2.10 are isomorphic as right  $(E(V), kG)$ -modules.

Proof It is clear that  $I_H({}_k kG) = [H]kG$ . Define the map  $\zeta : kG \rightarrow [H]kG$  by  $\zeta(a) := [H]a$  ( $a \in kG$ ). It is clear that  $\zeta$  is a right  $kG$ -epimorphism with  $\text{Ker } \zeta = A_H kG$ , therefore  $kG/A_H kG \cong [H]kG$  as right  $kG$ -modules. It remains to show that the map  $\zeta_1 : kG/A_H kG \rightarrow [H]kG$ , induced from  $\zeta$ , is an  $E(V)$ -map. Let  $D \in H \setminus G/H$ , and let  $a \in kG$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\zeta_1((a + A_H kG) \circ A_D) &= \zeta_1(a'_D a + A_H kG) = [H]a'_D a \\ &= [D]a = a_D [H]a = [H]a \circ A_D = \zeta(a + A_H kG) \circ A_D.\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\zeta_1$  is an  $E(V)$ -map.  $\square$

From Proposition 2.2.15(ii) and Lemma 2.3.1, we see that:

$$\begin{aligned}2.3.2 \quad r_{kG[H], kG}(k_\psi) &\cong I_\psi(I_H(kG)) = I_\psi([H]kG) \\ &= \{x \in [H]kG \mid x \circ A_D = \psi(A_D)x, \text{ for all } D \in H \backslash G/H\}.\end{aligned}$$

It is a consequence of theorem 2.2.3 that if  $q_{kG[H], kG}(k_\psi)$  is not zero, then it is a simple right  $kG$ -module, and is isomorphic to the socle of the right  $kG$ -module  $r_{kG[H], kG}(k_\psi)$ .

The next lemma follows from 2.1.5(i) and 2.1.9.

Lemma 2.3.3 If  $V = kG[H]$ , and  $\psi : E(V) \rightarrow k$  is a multiplicative character of  $E(V)$  then  $q_{kG[H], kG}(k_\psi) \neq 0$  if and only if  $V_\psi$  is a projective  $kG$ -module.  $\square$

Notations: If  $V = kG[H]$ , we denote by  $V'$  the right  $kG$ -module  $[H]kG$  and if  $E = E(V)$ , we denote by  $E'$  the endomorphism algebra  $\text{End}_{kG}(V')$ .

The  $k$ -algebra  $E'$  has a  $k$ -basis  $\{A'_D, D \in H \backslash G/H\}$ , where  $A'_D \in E'$  is given by

$$A'_D([H]) := [D] = [H]a'_D \quad (a'_D \in kG).$$

This action will turn  $V' = [H]kG$  naturally into a left  $E'$ -module.

On the other hand  $V' (= I_H(kG))$  is also a right  $E$ -module (see 2.2.15(i)) by the  $E$ -action

$$x \circ A_D := a_D \cdot x \quad \text{for all } x \in V' .$$

Therefore  $V'$  is an  $(E', E)$ -bimodule with

$$[H] \circ A_D = a_D[H] = [D] = [H]a_D' = A_D'([H]) .$$

Since both actions commute with the  $G$ -action on  $V'$ , we have:

$$2.3.4 \quad x \circ A_D = A_D'(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in V' , \quad D \in H \backslash G / H .$$

Let  $\theta : E \rightarrow E'$  be the  $k$ -map given by  $\theta(A_D) := A_D'$ , for all  $D \in H \backslash G / H$ .

$\theta$  is a  $k$ -isomorphism which is a  $k$ -algebra anti-isomorphism, for if

$D_1, D_2 \in H \backslash G / H$  and  $x \in V'$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(A_{D_1} A_{D_2})(x) &= x \circ A_{D_1} A_{D_2} = (x \circ A_{D_1}) \circ A_{D_2} \\ &= A_{D_1}'(x) \circ A_{D_2} = A_{D_2}' A_{D_1}'(x) . \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence} \quad \theta(A_{D_1} A_{D_2}) = \theta(A_{D_2}) \theta(A_{D_1}) .$$

Using the isomorphism  $\theta$ , equation 2.3.4 will be extended to give

$$2.3.5 \quad x \circ A = \theta(A)(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in V' \text{ and all } A \in E .$$

Notations 2.3.6: Let  $V, V', E, E'$  and  $\theta$  be as above.

If  $\psi : E \rightarrow k$  is a multiplicative character, we denote by  $\psi' : E' \rightarrow k$  the (unique) multiplicative character of  $E'$  which makes the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} E & \xrightarrow{\theta} & E' \\ \psi \searrow & & \swarrow \psi' \\ & k & \end{array}$$

commutes. Thus we have

$$2.3.7 \quad \psi(A_D') := \psi(\theta^{-1}(A_D')) = \psi(A_D)$$

for all  $D \in H \backslash G / H$ .

Now back to the  $kG$ -module  $r_{V, kG}(k_\psi)$ , where  $V = kG[H]$ .  
It follows from 2.3.2, 2.3.5, and 2.3.7 that

$$\begin{aligned} r_{V, kG}(k_\psi) &\cong I_\psi(V') \\ &= \{x \in V' \mid x \circ A_D = \psi(A_D)x, \text{ for all } D \in H \backslash G / H\} \\ &= \{x \in V' \mid A_D'(x) = \psi'(A_D')x, \forall D \in H \backslash G / H\}. \end{aligned}$$

Summarizing the above we have:

Lemma 2.3.8 Suppose  $V = kG[H]$ , and  $V' = [H]kG$  let  $\psi : E \rightarrow k$  be a multiplicative character of  $E$ , and let  $\psi' : E' \rightarrow k$  be the corresponding multiplicative character of  $E'$  according to 2.3.6. Then  $V'$  has the structure of  $(E', E)$ -bimodule and

$$I_\psi(V') = \{x \in V' \mid A_D'(x) = \psi'(A_D')x \quad \forall D \in H \backslash G / H\} \quad \square$$

Convention 2.3.9 We make the convention that if  $X$  is an  $(E', E)$ -bimodule and  $\psi : E \rightarrow k$  is a multiplicative character then we denote by  $I_{\psi'}(X)$  [ $I_\psi(X)$ ] the maximal  $E'$  -  $[E-]$  submodule of  $X$  on which  $E'$  [ $E$ ] acts on the left [right], respectively, according to  $\psi$ .

It follows from 2.3.8 and 2.3.9 that

$$2.3.10 \quad r_{V, kG}(k_\psi) \cong I_\psi(V') = I_{\psi'}(V') \quad .$$

Remark 2.3.11: If we had worked with the category  $\text{mod}'kG$  of right  $kG$ -modules instead of  $\text{mod } kG$ , we would replace  $V$  by  $V'$ ,  $\psi$  by  $\psi'$ , and  ${}_kG^{kG}$  by  ${}_kG_{kG}$ . In that case 2.3.10 will give

$$2.3.12 \quad r_{V', {}_kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'}) \cong I_{\psi}(V) .$$

Notice that  $r_{V', {}_kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'})$  is a left  $E(kG_{kG})$ -module, hence (since  $E(kG_{kG}) \cong kG$ ) it can be regarded as a left  $kG$ -module. Therefore, and for the sake of notations, we will be dealing with the left  $kG$ -module  $r_{V', {}_kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'}) (\cong I_{\psi}(V))$ . We will translate all the previous results (proved using  $\text{mod } kG$ ) accordingly. In particular, the right  $kG$ -map

$$\Omega_1 : I_H({}_kG^{kG}) (= [H]kG) \rightarrow kG/A_H(kG) ,$$

defined by 2.2.11 will give a left  $kG$ -map

$$\Omega_1' : kG[H] \rightarrow kG/A_H(kG)$$

defined by

$$2.3.13 \quad \Omega_1'(x) := xa + A_H(kG) \text{ for all } x \in kG[H] ,$$

where  $a \in kG$  is given by 2.2.12. Similarly we will have a left  $kG$ -isomorphism  $\zeta_1' : kG/A_H(kG) \rightarrow kG[H]$  (corresponding to the map  $\zeta_1$  defined in the proof of 2.3.1) given by

$$2.3.14 \quad \zeta_1'(x + A_H(kG)) := x[H] \text{ for all } x \in kG .$$

Lemma 2.3.15 Let  $V$  be any  $kG$ -module, and let  $1_{E(V)} = e_1 + \dots + e_t$  be an orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition of  $1_{E(V)}$  in  $E(V)$ .

If  $\psi : E(V) \rightarrow k$  is a multiplicative character of  $E(V)$ , we write  $V_\psi = e_\psi(V)$ , where  $e_\psi$  is the unique  $e_i$  with  $\psi(e_i) = 1_k$ . Then  $I_\psi(V) \leq V_\psi$ .

Proof If  $x \in I_\psi(V)$ , then

$$x = 1_k \cdot x = \psi(e_\psi)x = e_\psi(x) \in e_\psi(V) = V_\psi.$$

Therefore  $I_\psi(V) \leq V_\psi$ .

□

### CHAPTER 3. The Steinberg Representation

In this chapter we let  $G$  be a finite group with a BN-pair whose coxeter system is  $(W, \underline{R})$  with  $|\underline{R}| = \ell$ . Let  $V = kG[B]$  where  $B$  is the standard Borel subgroup of  $G$ . Let  $E = \text{End}_{kG}(kG[B])$ ; it is clear from 1.1.2 that  $E$  has a  $k$ -basis indexed by the elements of  $W$ , in fact  $E = \sum_{w \in W}^{\oplus} k \cdot A_w$ , where  $A_w \in E$  is given by  $A_w([B]) := [BwB]$ . It is well-known (see [I]) that  $E$  is generated as a  $k$ -algebra by the set  $\{A_{w_i}, w_i \in \underline{R}\}$ .

Let  $\psi : E \rightarrow k$  be the multiplicative character, defined by Iwahori [I], where  $\psi(A_w) := (-1)^{\ell(w)}$ , and  $\ell(w)$  is the length of  $w$ .

In this chapter, we will describe the  $kG$ -module  $I_{\psi}(V)$ , defined in §2, consequently (§3.2), we recover some well-known results about Steinberg representation for finite groups with BN-pair. Also the study of the  $kG$ -module  $I_{\psi}(V)$  will provide a new characterization of the Steinberg representation. The essential tool which will be used is a simplicial complex (defined by Tits), associated with an arbitrary finite group with BN-pair.

#### §3.1 The Tits Complex ([JT])

To every finite group with BN-pair  $(G, B, N, \underline{R})$ , there is associated a certain simplicial complex  $\Delta$  called the Tits complex (see for example [LS]), described as follows:

For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, \ell$ , let  $J_i = \underline{R} \setminus \{w_i\}$  and let  $G_i = G_{J_i} = BW_{J_i}B$ . It is clear that



3.1.1  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_\ell$

are maximal parabolic subgroups of  $G$  which contain  $B$ ; we shall suppose that the order of the  $G_i$ 's is fixed as in 3.1.1. If  $P$  is any maximal parabolic of  $G$  then  $P$  contains the Borel subgroup  $B^g$  for some  $g \in G$ , therefore  $B \leq {}^gP$  and hence  ${}^gP = G_j$  for some  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, \ell\}$ .

Definition 3.1.2 We say that  $P$  (above) is of type  $j$ .

Remark 3.1.3: there is no ambiguity in definition 3.1.2, for if  $B^h \leq P$  for some  $h \in G$ , then  ${}^gP$  and  ${}^hP$  are conjugate maximal parabolics containing the same Borel subgroup and hence, by Tits's theorem (1.1.4(2)),  ${}^gP = {}^hP = G_j$ .

Convention 3.1.4: We make the convention that if  $P_j$  is a maximal parabolic subgroup then  $j = \text{type of } P_j$ , i.e. the suffix indicates the type.

The Tits complex of  $G$  has the set of all maximal parabolics of  $G$  as its vertices, and if  $0 \leq r \leq \ell-1$  then the  $r+1$  vertices  $P_{j_0}, P_{j_1}, \dots, P_{j_r}$  form an  $r$ -simplex (written as  $(P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_r})$ ) if and only if  $P_{j_0} \cap P_{j_1} \cap \dots \cap P_{j_r}$  is a parabolic subgroup of  $G$ , and  $j_0 < j_1 < \dots < j_r$ . For  $0 \leq r \leq \ell-1$ , denote by  $\Delta_r$  the set of  $r$ -simplexes, i.e.  $\Delta_r = \{(P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_r}) \mid \bigcap_i P_{j_i} \text{ is parabolic, and } j_i < j_{i+1} \text{ for all } i = 0, \dots, r\}$ . Let  $C_r = k\Delta_r$  be a  $k$ -vector space with  $\Delta_r$  as basis, for  $0 \leq r \leq \ell-1$ . We define  $C_r = 0$  if  $r \geq \ell$ .

or if  $r \leq -1$ .  $G$  acts on the vertices of  $\Delta$  by conjugation. This action on  $\Delta$  preserves the simplicial structure and hence will turn  $C_r$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq \ell-1$ , into a  $kG$ -module where,

$$g \cdot (P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_r}) := ({}^gP_{j_0}, \dots, {}^gP_{j_r}),$$

for every  $g \in G$  and every  $(P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_r}) \in \Delta_r$ .

Define the  $k$ -map  $\partial_r : C_r \rightarrow C_{r-1}$  ( $1 \leq r \leq \ell-1$ ) by

$$3.1.5 \quad \partial_r((P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_r})) := \sum_{p=0}^r (-1)^p (P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_{p-1}}, P_{j_{p+1}}, \dots, P_{j_r}),$$

extended by linearity. It is clear that  $\partial_r$  is a  $kG$ -map with

$\partial_r \partial_{r+1} = 0$  for all  $1 \leq r \leq \ell-1$ , hence the pair  $(\Delta, \partial)$  defines a simplicial complex.

Definition 3.1.6 ([R], p.20): The  $r$ -th homology group  $H_r(\Delta)$  of  $\Delta$  is the  $r$ -th homology group of the complex

$$0 \rightarrow C_{\ell-1} \xrightarrow{\partial_{\ell-1}} C_{\ell-2} \xrightarrow{\partial_{\ell-2}} \dots \rightarrow C_2 \xrightarrow{\partial_2} C_1 \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow \dots$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad H_r(\Delta) := \text{Ker } \partial_r / \text{Im } \partial_{r+1}.$$

Now consider the  $kG$ -module  $C_{\ell-1}$ . The  $(\ell-1)$ -simplexes are called chambers (see [LS]) and the chamber  $B = (G_1, \dots, G_\ell)$  is called the fundamental chamber.

Note that if  $P = (P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_{\ell-1}})$  is a chamber then  $\prod_i P_{j_i}$  is a Borel subgroup.

Lemma 3.1.7

(i) If  $g \in G$  then,  $gB = B$  if and only if  $g \in B$ .

(ii)  $C_{\ell-1}$  is a cyclic  $kG$ -module generated by  $B$  and is isomorphic to  $kG[B]$ .

Proof

(i) If  $g \in G$ , then  $gB = g(G_1, \dots, G_\ell) = ({}^gG_1, \dots, {}^gG_\ell)$ .

Therefore  $gB = B$  if and only if  $g \in \bigcap_i N_G(G_i) = \bigcap_i G_i = B$ , by 1.1.3, where  $N_G(G_i)$  is the normalizer of  $G_i$  in  $G$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $P = (P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_{\ell-1}}) \in \Delta_{\ell-1}$ . Then we have  $P_{j_0} \cap P_{j_1} \cap \dots \cap P_{j_{\ell-1}} = {}^gB$  for some  $g \in G$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (P_{j_0}, \dots, P_{j_{\ell-1}}) &= ({}^gG_1, {}^gG_2, \dots, {}^gG_\ell) = g.(G_1, \dots, G_\ell) \\ &= gB. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $C_{\ell-1}$  is the  $k$ -span of the elements of  $\Delta_{\ell-1}$ ,

$C_{\ell-1} = \sum_{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}}^{\oplus} k.P = kG.B$  and the map  $B \rightarrow [B]$  defines a  $kG$ -isomorphism

$\alpha : C_{\ell-1} \rightarrow kG[B]$ .

□

Since the  $kG$ -module  $V = kG[B]$  is a left  $E$ -module (where  $E = E(V)$ ), we can define an  $E$ -action on  $C_{\ell-1} (= kG.B)$  (this action denoted by  $*$ ) by means of the isomorphism  $\alpha$  defined in the proof of 3.1.7(ii). That is, if  $A \in E$  and  $g \in G$ , we let

$$3.1.8 \quad A * gB := \alpha^{-1}(A(g[B])) .$$

Since the E-action and the G-action on  $V = kG[B]$  commute, we then have:

$$\begin{aligned} A * gB &= \alpha^{-1}(A(g[B])) = \alpha^{-1}.gA([B]) \\ &= g \alpha^{-1}(A([B])) = g.A * B. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the action of  $A \in E$  on  $C_{\ell-1}$  is determined by its action on  $B = (G_1, \dots, G_\ell)$ ; it is also clear that  $I_\psi(kG[B]) \cong I_\psi(C_{\ell-1})$  as  $kG$ -modules.

To describe  $I_\psi(C_{\ell-1})$  we need to introduce the following notation.

#### Notations 3.1.9

(i) If  $P = (P_{j_1}, \dots, P_{j_\ell}) \in \Delta_{\ell-1}$  is an  $(\ell-1)$ -simplex and  $\rho \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}$ , we denote by  $P^{(\rho)}$  the  $(\ell-2)$ -simplex obtained from  $P$  by removing the  $\rho$ -th term, i.e.  $P^{(\rho)} = (P_{j_1}, \dots,$

$P_{j_{\rho-1}}, P_{j_{\rho+1}}, \dots, P_{j_\ell})$ .

(ii) If  $P'$  and  $P$  are  $(\ell-2)$ ,  $(\ell-1)$ -simplexes, respectively, we write  $P' < P$  if  $P'$  is obtained from  $P$  by removing one term.

The G-action on the vertices of  $\Delta$  induces an action on the homology group  $H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$ . We have the following description for the homology module.

Lemma 3.1.10 If  $x = \sum_{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}} x(P)P$ , with  $x(P) \in k$ , then

$x \in H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$  if and only if for every  $\rho \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}$  and every  $(\ell-2)$ -simplex  $Z$ ,  $\sum_{\substack{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ P^{(\rho)} = Z}} x(P) = 0$ .

Proof By 3.1.6, since  $\text{Im } \partial_\ell = 0$ , we have  $H_{\ell-1}(\Delta) = \text{Ker } \partial_{\ell-1}$ .  
put  $\partial_{\ell-1} = \partial$ . We have

$$\partial x = \sum_{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}} x(P) \partial P = \sum_P x(P) \left( \sum_{\rho=1}^{\ell} (-1)^{\rho-1} p(\rho) \right).$$

Fix  $\rho \in \{1, \dots, \ell-1\}$ . If  $Z = (Z_{j_1}, \dots, Z_{j_{\rho-1}}, Z_{j_{\rho+1}}, \dots, Z_{j_\ell}) \in \Delta_{\ell-2}$ ,  
then  $Z$  appears in  $\partial x$  with coefficient  $(-1)^{\rho-1} \sum_{\substack{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ p(\rho) = Z}} x(P)$ .

Therefore  $\partial x = 0$  if and only if  $\sum_{\substack{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ p(\rho) = Z}} x(P) = 0$  for all

$\rho \in \{1, \dots, \ell\}$  and all  $Z \in \Delta_{\ell-2}$ .

□

### Notations 3.1.11

(i) Let  $Z = (Z_{j_1}, \dots, Z_{j_{\rho-1}}, Z_{j_{\rho+1}}, \dots, Z_{j_\ell})$  be an  $(\ell-2)$ -simplex.

We denote by  $X_\rho(Z)$  the set of all maximal parabolic subgroups  $X$  of  $G$  such that  $(Z_{j_1}, \dots, Z_{j_{\rho-1}}, X, Z_{j_{\rho+1}}, \dots, Z_{j_\ell})$  is an  $(\ell-1)$ -simplex.

(ii) If  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  let  $B_i$  be a transversal for the set  $\{b(B \cap {}^{w_i}B) \mid b \in B\}$ .

The following lemma determines the set  $X_\rho(Z)$  for  $Z = B^{(\rho)}$  where  $B = (G_1, \dots, G_\ell)$  is the fundamental chamber.

Lemma 3.1.12  $X_\rho(B^{(\rho)}) = \{G_\rho, {}^{bw_\rho}G_\rho; b \in B_i\}$ .

Proof Consider the  $(\ell-2)$ -simplex  $B^{(\rho)} = (G_1, \dots, G_{\rho-1}, G_{\rho+1}, \dots, G_\ell)$

and let  $P = \bigcap_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq \rho}}^{\ell} G_i$ . It is clear that  $P$  is a minimal parabolic

subgroup, in fact  $P = BW_{\{w_\rho\}}B = B \cup Bw_\rho B$ . If  $X$  is a maximal parabolic subgroup of  $G$ , then  $X \in \mathcal{X}_\rho(B^{(\rho)})$  if and only if  $X \cap P$  is a Borel subgroup. If  $B' = X \cap P$ , then  $B' = {}^g B$  for some  $g \in G$ . Hence both  $P$  and  $g^{-1}P$  are conjugate parabolic subgroups containing  $B$ . Therefore, by 1.1.4(2),  $P = g^{-1}P$ , and so  $g \in N_G(P) = P = B \cup B_\rho w_\rho B$ . It follows that  $g$  is either in  $B$  or in  $B_\rho w_\rho B$  and  $B' \in \{B, {}^{b(w_\rho)} B; b \in B_\rho\}$ . The members of the set  $\{B, {}^{b(w_\rho)} B; b \in B_\rho\}$  are all distinct, for if  $b, b' \in B_\rho$ , then

$${}^{b(w_\rho)} B = {}^{b'(w_\rho)} B \Leftrightarrow (b'(w_\rho))^{-1} b(w_\rho) \in N_G(B) = B \Leftrightarrow b'(w_\rho)B = b(w_\rho)B$$

$$\Leftrightarrow b = b'.$$

It follows that  $X \in \mathcal{X}_\rho(B^{(\rho)}) \Leftrightarrow X \cap P = {}^g B, g \in \{1, b(w_\rho); b \in B_\rho\}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow g^{-1}X \cap g^{-1}P = B \Leftrightarrow g^{-1}X \cap P = B$  (since  $b(w_\rho) \in P = N_G(P)$ , for  
 all  $b \in B_\rho$ )  $\Leftrightarrow g^{-1}X = G_\rho \Leftrightarrow X = {}^g G_\rho, g \in \{1, b(w_\rho); b \in B_\rho\}$ .  
 Therefore  $X \in \{{}^g G_\rho \mid g \in \{1, b(w_\rho); b \in B_\rho\}\}$ .

The parabolic subgroups  $\{{}^g G_\rho \mid g \in \{1, b(w_\rho), b \in B_\rho\}\}$  are all distinct, since they contain distinct Borel subgroups.

It is also clear that these parabolic subgroups are all of type  $\rho$ . This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

Since  $E = E(kG[B])$  is generated as a  $k$ -algebra by  $\{A_{w_i}, w_i \in \underline{R}\}$ , it follows that the action of the elements  $A_{w_i} (w_i \in \underline{R})$  on the  $k$ -basis of  $C_{\ell-1}$  determines the  $E$ -action on  $C_{\ell-1}$ .

Lemma 3.1.13 For every  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ ,

$$(i) \quad (A_{w_i} + 1_E) * B = \sum_{\substack{H \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ B(i) < H}} H.$$

(ii) If  $P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}$  then

$$(A_{w_i} + 1_E) * P = \sum_{\substack{P' \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ P(i) < P'}} P'.$$

Proof (ii) follows from (i), since if  $P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}$  then  $P = gB$  for some  $g \in G$ , and the  $E$ -action commutes with the  $G$ -action on  $C_{\ell-1}$ . To prove (i) consider  $A_{w_i} * B$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} A_{w_i} * B &= \alpha^{-1}(A_{w_i}([B])) \\ &= \alpha^{-1}\left(\sum_{b \in B_i} b(w_i)[B]\right) \\ &= \sum_{b \in B_i} b(w_i)\alpha^{-1}([B]) = \sum_{b \in B_i} b(w_i)B \\ &= \sum_{b \in B_i} (b(w_i)_{G_1}, \dots, b(w_i)_{G_i}, \dots, b(w_i)_{G_\ell}) \\ &= \sum_{b \in B_i} (G_1, \dots, b(w_i)_{G_i}, \dots, G_\ell) \quad (\text{since if } \rho \neq i, \text{ then } b(w_i) \in G_\rho = N_G(G_\rho)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} (A_{w_i} + 1_E) * B &= B + \sum_{b \in B_i} (G_1, \dots, b(w_i)_{G_i}, \dots, G_\ell) \\ &= \sum_{X \in X_i(B(i))} (G_1, \dots, G_{i-1}, X, G_{i+1}, \dots, G_\ell) \quad \text{by lemma 3.1.12} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{H \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ B(i) < H}} H \end{aligned}$$

□

We now come to the main theorem of this chapter, concerning the  $kG$ -module  $I_\psi(kG[B])$ .

Theorem 3.1.14 Let  $G$  be a finite group with BN-pair, and let  $k$  be an arbitrary field. Let  $V = kG[B]$  and let  $E = \text{End}_{kG}(V)$ . Let  $\psi : E \rightarrow k$  be the multiplicative character of  $E$  given by  $\psi(A_w) = (-1)^{\ell(w)}$ , for every  $w \in W$ . Then, regarding  $V$  as a left  $E$ -module, we have:

$$I_\psi(kG[B]) \cong H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$$

where  $\Delta$  is the Tits complex of  $G$ .

Proof We have  $I_\psi(kG[B]) \cong I_\psi(C_{\ell-1})$

$$= \{x \in C_{\ell-1} \mid A * x = \psi(A)x, \text{ for all } A \in E\}$$

$$= \{x \in C_{\ell-1} \mid A_{w_i} * x = -x, \text{ for all } w_i \in \underline{R}\}$$

$$= \{x \in C_{\ell-1} \mid (A_{w_i} + 1_E) * x = 0, \text{ for all } w_i \in \underline{R}\}.$$

Let  $x = \sum_{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}} x(P)P$  be an arbitrary element of  $C_{\ell-1}$ , with  $x(P) \in k$ .

Consider  $(A_{w_i} + 1_E) * x$  ( $w_i \in \underline{R}$ ). By 3.1.13, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (A_{w_i} + 1_E) * x &= \sum_{P \in \Delta_{\ell-1}} x(P) (A_{w_i} + 1_E) * P \\ &= \sum_P x(P) \left( \sum_{\substack{Q \in \Delta_{\ell-1} \\ P(i) < Q}} Q \right). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $Q$  be an arbitrary  $(\ell-1)$ -simplex with  $Q^{(i)} = Z$ , for some



$Z \in \Delta_{\ell-2}$ . Then  $Q$  appears in  $(A_{w_i} + 1_E) * x$  with coefficient  $\sum_{p(i)=Z} x(P)$ ; comparing this with lemma 3.1.10, and since that is valid for every  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ , we have  $(A_{w_i} + 1_E) * x = 0$ ,  $\forall w_i \in \underline{R} \Leftrightarrow x \in H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$ , therefore

$$I_{\psi}(kG[B]) \cong I_{\psi}(C_{\ell-1}) \cong H_{\ell-1}(\Delta). \quad \square$$

### §3.2 Application to the Steinberg Representation

Let  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  be a finite group with split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$ , and let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field. In [RS] Steinberg defined the  $kG$ -module  $kGe$ , where  $e = \sum_{w \in W} (-1)^{\ell(w)} w[B]$  and showed that this module is absolutely irreducible when the characteristic of  $k$  is either zero or does not divide  $[G:B]$ . Let  $St_G$  denote the character afforded by  $kGe$ .

Definition  $kGe$  is called the Steinberg module, and  $St_G$  is called the Steinberg character of  $G$ .

In this section, we will apply the results in §2.2 and §3.1 to derive some results about the Steinberg representation. As in §3.1, we let  $V = kG[B]$ ,  $E = E(V)$ , and  $\psi : E \rightarrow k$  be the multiplicative character of  $E$  given by  $\psi(A_{w_i}) = -1$ , for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ .

First we need the following lemma which is due to N. Tinberg.

Lemma 3.2.1 (Tinberg, [NT1]):  $A_{w_i}(e) = -e$  for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ .  $\square$

It follows from lemma 3.2.1 that the Steinberg module  $kGe$  is a  $kG$ -submodule of  $I_\psi(V)$ , and by 2.3.15, we have

$$3.2.2 \quad kGe \leq I_\psi(V) \leq V_\psi,$$

where " $\leq$ " means  $kG$ -submodule. Suppose that the characteristic of  $k$  does not divide  $|H|$ , where  $H = B \cap N$ . Then  $V$  is a direct summand of  $kG[U]$  (see [CL], Lemma 3.3). In this case, the indecomposable  $kG$ -module  $V_\psi$  is a direct summand of  $kG[U]$ . Since  $kG[U]$  is a projective  $kG$ -module for arbitrary field  $k$  (see [NT1] p.129), it follows that  $V_\psi$  is a projective indecomposable  $kG$ -module. Hence  $V_\psi$  has a simple socle (see [CRI], p. 401). Therefore, by 3.2.2, we have

$$\text{soc}(kGe) = \text{soc}(I_\psi(V)) = \text{soc}(V_\psi),$$

where "soc" means socle as  $kG$ -module.

By remark 2.3.11,

$$I_\psi(V) \cong r_{V', kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'}),$$

where  $V' = [B]kG$ , and  $\psi' : E(V') \rightarrow k$  is the multiplicative character of  $E(V')$  which corresponds to  $\psi$  (see 2.3.6). We can deduce, using similar argument to the above, that  $V'_{\psi'}$  is a projective indecomposable right  $kG$ -module (see 2.3.11). It follows from 2.3.3 and 2.2.3 that  $q_{V', kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'})$  is non-zero and hence it is the socle of the left  $kG$ -module  $r_{V', kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'})$ . Therefore

$$3.2.2 \quad \text{soc}(kGe) = \text{soc}(I_\psi(V)) \cong q_{V', kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi'}).$$

The socle of the Steinberg module  $kG_e$  was computed by N. Tinberg [NT1] for arbitrary field  $k$ , and for a finite group with "unsaturated" split BN-pair. The following proposition provides a similar calculation for  $\text{soc}(kG.e)$ .

Proposition 3.2.3 Let  $G = (G, B, N, R, U)$  be a finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$  and rank  $\ell$ . Let  $W$  be the Weyl group of  $G$  and let  $k$  be an algebraically closed field such that the characteristic of  $k$  does not divide  $|B \cap N|$ . Then  $\text{soc}(kG.e) = kG[B]\{W\}[B]$ , where  $\{W\} = \sum_{w \in W} (-1)^{\ell(w)} w$ .

Proof From 3.2.2, we have

$$\text{soc}(kG.e) = q_{V', kG_{kG}}(k_{\psi, 1}).$$

By 2.2.15(iv), we have

$$\text{soc}(kG.e) \cong \text{Image of } \Omega_1^!$$

where  $\Omega_1^! : kG[B] \rightarrow kG/A_B(kG)$  is given by  $\Omega_1^!(x) := xa$  ( $x \in kG[B]$ ), and  $a$  is any element of  $kG$  satisfying 2.2.12 (see remark 2.3.11).

On the other hand, by 2.3.1, the map  $\zeta_1^! : kG/A_B(kG) \rightarrow kG[B]$ , given by  $\zeta_1^!(x + A_B(kG)) := x[B]$  ( $x \in kG$ ), defines a  $kG$ -isomorphism.

Therefore we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{soc}(kG.e) & = & \text{Im } \zeta_1^! \Omega_1^! \\ kG[B] & \xrightarrow{\Omega_1^!} & kG/A_B(kG) \\ \zeta_1^! \Omega_1^! & \searrow & \downarrow \zeta_1^! \\ & & kG[B] \end{array} .$$

However, it is easy to see that  $\{W\} = \sum_{w \in W} (-1)^{\ell(w)} w$  satisfies

2.2.12. Hence, putting  $a = \{W\}$ , we have

$$\zeta_1' \Omega_1'([B]) = [B]\{W\}[B] .$$

Consequently,

$$\text{soc}(kG.e) = \text{Im } \zeta_1' \Omega_1' = kG[B]\{W\}[B] .$$

□

The ordinary case:

Now suppose that  $k$  is of characteristic 0. Curtis [C1] discovered a formulae which expresses  $\text{St}_G$  as  $\mathbb{Z}$ -linear combination of induced characters from the parabolic subgroups of  $G$ , in fact he shows that

$$3.2.4 \quad \text{St}_G = \sum_{J \subseteq R} (-1)^{|J|} 1_{G_J}^G .$$

This formulae gives a more general setting of Steinberg character for arbitrary finite groups with BN-pairs (see [C1] or [RC], 6.1-6.4).

By Maschke's theorem (see [CRII], p.42), every object in  $\text{mod } kG$  is completely reducible. Therefore, by 2.2.15(iv), we have

$$r_{[B]kG, kG}(k_{\psi},) \cong q_{[B]kG, kG}(k_{\psi},) ,$$

hence,  $r_{[B]kG, kG}(k_{\psi},)$  is simple  $kG$ -module. But Theorem 3.1.14 shows that

$$r_{[B]kG, kG}(k_{\psi},) \cong I_{\psi}(kG[B]) \cong H_{\ell-1}(\Delta) .$$

This gives a proof of the following theorem which has been originally proved by Solomon and Tits [LS], using geometrical argument.

Theorem 3.2.5 (Solomon-Tits): Let  $\Delta$  be the Tits complex of a finite group  $G$  with BN-pair of rank  $\ell \geq 2$ , and let  $k$  be a field of characteristic 0. The action of  $G$  on  $\Delta$  defines a  $kG$ -module structure in  $H_{\ell-1}(\Delta)$  which affords the Steinberg character.

□

Example

Let  $G = SL(2, q) = \{g \in GL(2, q), \det g = 1\}$ , where  $q$  is a power of a prime  $p > 0$ .  $G$  has a split BN-pair  $(G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } B &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t & \lambda \\ 0 & t^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times, \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q \right\}, \\ N &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t & \\ & t^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} & -\lambda \\ \lambda^{-1} & \end{pmatrix}, \lambda, t \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times \right\}, \\ H &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} t & \\ & t^{-1} \end{pmatrix}, t \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times \right\}, \text{ and} \\ U &= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbb{F}_q = GF(q)$ , the finite Galois field with  $q$  elements, and  $\mathbb{F}_q^\times = \mathbb{F}_q \setminus \{0\}$ . The Weyl group  $W = N/H \cong S_2 = \langle w \rangle = \langle \underline{R} \rangle$ . We may take  $(w) = \begin{pmatrix} & -1 \\ 1 & \end{pmatrix}$ ; we have  $N = H \cup (w)H$  and  $G = B \cup BwB$ .

Let  $M = V(2, q) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}; \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{F}_q \right\}$ , be the space of

2-dimensional column vectors over  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . Let  $\sim$  be the equivalence

relation defined on the elements of  $M$  as follows:

For  $x, y \in M$ ,  $x \sim y \iff \lambda x = y$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times$ . The projective line  $P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$  is the set of equivalence classes of the non-zero elements of  $M$  under the equivalence relation  $\sim$ . If  $0 \neq x \in M$ , let  $[x]$  denote the equivalence class which contains  $x$ , and if

$0 \neq \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \in M$ , we write  $\left[ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Thus, if  $0 \neq x \in M$ , then

$$[x] = \{\lambda x \mid \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times\}.$$

Clearly  $P_1(\mathbb{F}_q) = \{\infty := \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [\lambda] := \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}; \lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q\}$ . Let  $k$  be a field and let  $X = k \cdot P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$ , the  $k$ -space having the elements of  $P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$  as basis. The group  $G$  acts transitively on the set  $P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$ . This action can be extended by linearity to turn  $X$  into a  $kG$ -module with  $\dim_k X = q+1$ .

If  $g = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in G$ , then  $g\infty = g \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} \\ g_{21} \end{bmatrix}$ . Hence

$$g\infty = \infty \iff \begin{bmatrix} g_{11} \\ g_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\iff \begin{pmatrix} \lambda g_{11} \\ \lambda g_{21} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\iff g_{21} = 0 \iff g \in B.$$

If  $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q$ , then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} (w)\infty = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} [0] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \equiv [\lambda].$$

Therefore the map  $[B] \rightarrow \infty$  defines a  $kG$ -isomorphism  $\alpha : kG[B] \rightarrow X$ .

Let  $E = E(kG[B])$ .  $E$  has  $k$ -basis  $\{1, A_w\}$ , where  
 $A_w([B]) := \sum_{u \in U} u(w)[B]$  (note that  $U_w^- = U$ ). The  $kG$ -module  $kG[B]$   
has a (natural) structure of left  $E$ -module. Since  $kG[B] \cong X (= kG.\infty)$ ,  
we can describe an  $E$ -action on  $X$  (denoted by  $*$ ) in terms of the  
 $kG$ -isomorphism  $\alpha$ . That is

$$\begin{aligned} A_w * \infty &= \alpha(A_w([B])) \\ &= \alpha\left(\sum_{u \in U} uw[B]\right) \\ &= \sum_{u \in U} uw\alpha([B]) = \sum_{u \in U} uw\infty \\ &= \sum_{u \in U} u[0] = \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix} [0] \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in \mathbb{F}_q} [\lambda] \\ &= \sum_{\substack{\sigma \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q) \\ \sigma \neq \infty}} \sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G$  acts transitively on  $P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)$  and since the  $E$ -action on  $X$   
commutes with the  $G$ -action, we then have

$$3.2.6 \quad A_w * \sigma = \sum_{\substack{y \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q) \\ y \neq \sigma}} y \quad \text{for all } \sigma \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q).$$

Let  $\psi : E \rightarrow k^\times$  be the multiplicative character of  $E$  given by  
 $\psi(A_w) = -1$ . If  $x = \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} x(\pi)\pi \in X$ ,  $x(\pi) \in k$ , then, by 3.2.6,  
we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_W * x + x &= \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} x(\pi) A_W * \pi + \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} x(\pi) \pi \\
 &= \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} x(\pi) (A_W * \pi + \pi) \\
 &= \left( \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} x(\pi) \right) \left( \sum_{\sigma \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} \sigma \right) .
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_\psi(kG[B]) &\cong I_\psi(X) = \{x \in X \mid (A_W + 1)x = 0\} \\
 &= \{x = \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} x(\pi) \pi \in X \mid \sum_{\pi} x(\pi) = 0\} \\
 &\cong \{a = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g[B] \in kG[B] \mid \sum_{g \in G} a_g = 0\} .
 \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $kG(1-(w))[B] \subseteq I_\psi(kG[B])$ . On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_\psi(kG[B]) &\cong A_\psi(X) = (A_W + 1_E)X \\
 &= kG \cdot (A_W + 1_E) * \infty \\
 &= kG \cdot \left( \sum_{\pi \in P_1(\mathbb{F}_q)} \pi \right) \\
 &\cong k_G , \text{ the trivial } kG\text{-module.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it follows from 2.2.4(i) that  $I_\psi(kG[B]) = kG(1-(w))[B]$ .



PART II :

On The Theory Of Modular Representations Of Finite Groups

With Split BN-pairs.

## CHAPTER 4. Modular representations of finite Groups with Split BN-pair.

### §4.0 Preliminaries and basic definitions

In part II we let  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  be a finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$ , for some prime  $p > 0$  (§1.2). Let  $W$  be the Weyl group of  $G$  generated by the set  $\underline{R} = \{w_1, \dots, w_\ell\}$  of simple reflections. Let  $(K, R, F)$  be a  $p$ -modular coefficient system ([CRII], p.402), that is,  $R$  is a  $p$ -adic ring with quotient field  $K$  of characteristic 0, maximal ideal  $(\pi)$  ( $= \pi R$ ), and residue class field  $F = \bar{R} = R/\pi R$  of characteristic  $p$ . We shall assume that  $K$  (and hence  $F$ ) is a splitting field for  $G$  and all its subgroups, and that  $R$  is complete in the  $(\pi)$ -adic topology ([CRII], p.83). An  $R$ -lattice is a finitely generated free  $R$ -module. By an  $RG$ -lattice  $X$ , one means a finitely generated  $RG$ -module which is an  $R$ -lattice. We denote the category of all  $RG$ -lattices by  $\text{mod}^0 RG$ . We aim to study the modular representation theory of  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  with respect to the  $p$ -modular system  $(K, R, F)$  where  $p$  is the characteristic of  $G$ . Some of our arguments here will not depend on the modular system  $(K, R, F)$ , and so we will often use  $k$  to denote any field such that  $\text{char } k \nmid |H|$  and  $k$  is a splitting field for  $H$ .

Let  $X \in \text{mod}^0 RG$ . If  $k = K$  or  $F$ , we write  $kX := k \otimes_R X$ ;  $kX$  is then a  $kG$ -module. We identify  $FX$  with the quotient  $\bar{X} = X/(\pi)X$ , and if  $x \in X$ , we denote by  $\bar{x}$  the image of  $x$  under the natural map  $X \rightarrow \bar{X}$ .

Definitions: 4.0.1 ([PL], §14)

- (i) Let  $M \in \text{mod } KG$ . By an  $R$ -form of  $M$  we mean an  $RG$ -lattice  $X$  such that  $KX = M$ .
- (ii) Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite dimensional  $K$ -algebra. An  $R$ -order  $A$  of  $\Lambda$  is an  $R$ -algebra with  $1$ , which is an  $R$ -lattice such that  $KA = K \otimes_R A \cong \Lambda$ .

The existence of  $R$ -forms and  $R$ -orders for finite dimensional  $KG$ -modules and finite dimensional  $K$ -algebras, respectively, follows from the fact that  $R$  is a principal ideal domain (see [CRII], 16.15). As an example let  $\Lambda = KG$ , the group algebra of a finite group  $G$  over  $K$ , and let  $A = RG$ , the group ring of  $G$  over  $R$ . Then  $A$  is an  $R$ -order in  $\Lambda$ . If  $X \in \text{mod}^0 RG$ , we regard  $X$  as a subset of  $KX$  by identifying  $x \in X$  with  $1_K \otimes x \in KX$ , in this way  $X$  is an  $R$ -form in  $KX$ .

If  $X_1, X_2 \in \text{mod } RG$  then  $(X_1, X_2)_{RG}$  is an  $R$ -submodule of  $(X_1, X_2)_R$ . Since  $(X_1, X_2)_R$  is an  $R$ -lattice and  $R$  is a principal ideal domain, it follows that  $(X_1, X_2)_{RG}$  is also an  $R$ -lattice.

If  $k \in \{K, F\}$  then there is a  $k$ -map

$$\psi_k : k \otimes_R (X_1, X_2)_{RG} \rightarrow (kX_1, kX_2)_{KG},$$

which takes  $c \otimes f$  to  $c(\text{Id}_k \otimes f)$  ( $c \in k$ ,  $f \in (X_1, X_2)_{RG}$ ;  $\text{Id}_k$  denotes the identity map of  $k$ ).  $\psi_k$  is injective, and if  $k = K$ , it is surjective  $K$ -map (see [PL], Lemma 14.5). The  $F$ -map  $\psi_F$  is not surjective in general.

Definitions 4.0.2 (Green [G2], §2):

- (i) The pair  $X_1, X_2 \in \text{mod}^0 RG$  is said to be p-stable if the  $F$ -map

$\psi_F$  , defined above is surjective.

(ii) If  $X \in \text{mod}^0 RG$  then  $X$  is said to be p-endostable if the pair  $X, X$  is p-stable.

Note that part (i) of the above definition is equivalent to the condition that the map  $\phi_F : (X_1, X_2)_{RG} \rightarrow (FX_1, FX_2)_{FG}$  , defined by  $f \mapsto \bar{f} = \text{Id}_F \otimes f$  ( $f \in (X_1, X_2)_{RG}$ ) , should be surjective. Note also that  $\phi_F$  has kernel  $\pi(X_1, X_2)_{RG}$  .

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For every  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  , let  $Y_J = RG_J[U]$  , where  $G_J$  is the parabolic subgroup of  $G$  corresponding to  $J$  (see §1.2). It is clear that  $Y_J$  is isomorphic to the induced  $RG_J$ -lattice  $\text{Ind}_{U_J}^{G_J}(R_{U_J})$  , where  $R_{U_J}$  denotes the trivial  $RU$ -lattice. If  $J = \underline{R}$  ; we write  $Y_{\underline{R}} = Y$  . We will denote by  $kY_J$  the  $kG_J$ -module  $kG_J[U]$  , and if  $k \in \{K, F\}$  , we identify  $kY_J$  with  $k \otimes_R Y_J$  .

Consider  $E(Y_J) = \text{End}_{RG_J}(Y_J)$  . Since the elements of  $N_J$  form a set of representatives of the  $(U, U)$ -double cosets in  $G_J$  (see 1.2.6),  $E(Y_J)$  has an  $R$ -basis  $\{A_n^J, n \in N_J\}$  , where  $A_n^J \in E(Y_J)$  ( $n \in N_J$ ) is given by:

$$A_n^J([U]) := [UnU] .$$

Since  $Y_J$  is permutation  $RG_J$ -lattice,  $Y_J$  is p-endostable (Scott [LS]; see [PL], p.174). Therefore

$$F \otimes_R E(Y_J) (= E(Y_J)/\pi E(Y_J)) \cong E(FY_J) ,$$

where  $E(FY_J) = \text{End}_{FG_J}(FY_J)$  . Since  $K \otimes_R E(Y_J) \cong E(KY_J)$  , we may regard

$E(Y_J)$  as an  $R$ -order in the  $K$ -algebra  $E(KY_J)$ .

Notations: If  $n \in N_J$ , denote by  $A_{n,k}^J$  the  $k$ -basis element of  $E(kY_J)$  which corresponds to  $n$ . If  $k \in \{K, F\}$ , we identify  $A_{n,k}^J$  with  $\text{Id}_k \otimes_R A_n^J \in k \otimes_R E(Y_J) (\cong E(kY_J))$ . If  $J = \underline{R}$ , we write

$$A_{n,k}^R = A_{n,k}, \text{ for every } n \in N_J.$$

The set  $\{A_{n,k}^J, n \in N_J\}$  form a  $k$ -basis for the  $k$ -algebra  $E(kY_J)$ .

Remark 4.0.3 Since  $R$  is complete in the  $(\pi)$ -adic topology,  $E(Y_J)$  is also complete in the  $\pi E(Y_J)$ -adic topology. Therefore any idempotent  $e \in E(FY_J) (\cong E(Y_J)/\pi E(Y_J))$  can be lifted to an idempotent  $e^0 \in E(Y_J)$  (i.e.  $\bar{e}^0 = \text{Id}_F \otimes_R e^0 = e$ ) (see [CRII], p.123).

#### §4.1 The $R$ -order $E(Y)$

In this section we consider the  $R$ -order  $E(Y)$ , where  $Y = Y_{\underline{R}}$ . We saw in the previous section that  $E(Y)$  has an  $R$ -basis  $\{A_n, n \in N\}$ . In order to describe the multiplication of the elements  $A_n$  in  $E(Y)$  we need the following:

Structural equation for  $G$ : ([C2], 4.4)

Let  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ . There exist functions  $f_i : U_i^* \rightarrow U_i^*$ ,  $h_i : U_i^* \rightarrow H$  and  $g_i : U_i^* \rightarrow U$ , with  $f_i$  bijective such that

$$(w_i)u(w_i) = f_i(u)h_i(u)(w_i)g_i(u) \text{ for all } u \in U_i^*.$$

Here  $U_i^* = U_i \setminus \{1\}$ .

The proof of the following proposition was given by H. Sawada [HS] for the  $k$ -algebra  $E(kY)$ .

Proposition 4.1.2 ([HS], Prop. 2.6): The multiplication in  $E(Y)$  is given as follows:

(i)  $A_n A_h = A_{hn}$  and  $A_h A_n = A_{nh}$  for all  $h \in H$ ,  $n \in N$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $n \in N$ , with  $nH = w \in W$ , then

$$A_{(w_i)} A_n = \begin{cases} A_{n(w_i)} & \text{if } \ell(w w_i) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| A_{n(w_i)} + \left( \sum_{x \in U_i^*} A_{(w_i)} h_i(x) (w_i) \right) A_n & \text{if } \ell(w w_i) < \ell(w), \end{cases}$$

and

$$A_n A_{(w_i)} = \begin{cases} A_{(w_i)} n & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| A_{(w_i)} n + A_n \left( \sum_{x \in U_i^*} A_{h_i(x)} \right) & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w). \end{cases}$$

□

The next proposition follows from 4.1.2.

Proposition 4.1.3  $E(Y)$  is generated as an  $R$ -algebra by

$$\{A_{(w_i)}, A_h \mid w_i \in \underline{R}, h \in H\}.$$

□

By our assumption on the  $p$ -modular system  $(K, R, F)$ , both  $K$  and  $F$  are splitting fields for  $G$  and all its subgroups. In particular, both  $K$  and  $F$  are splitting fields for  $H$ , and so each of them contains all the  $c$ -th roots of 1, where  $c$  is the exponent of  $H$  (see [CRI], p.37). Let  $(k^x)_c$  denote the set of  $c$ -th root of 1 in  $k$ , and let  $\Gamma : (F^x)_c \rightarrow (K^x)_c$  be a fixed multiplicative isomorphism such that

$$4.1.4 \quad \overline{\Gamma(x)} = x \quad \text{for all } x \in (F^x)_c.$$

Note that any  $c$ -th root of 1 in  $K$ , say  $\alpha$ , lies in  $R$ , because

$\alpha$  is integral over  $R$  (since  $\alpha^c = 1$ ) and  $R$  is integrally closed in its quotient field  $K$ .

Definition 4.1.5 We write  $\hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^\times)$ , the set of all multiplicative characters of  $H$  in  $k$ . We also write  $\tilde{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)$  and  $\bar{H} = \text{Hom}(H, F^\times)$ .

For every  $\chi \in \bar{H}$ , define  $\chi^0 \in \tilde{H}$  by  $\chi^0(h) := \Gamma(\chi(h))$ , for all  $h \in H$ . It is clear that the map  $\chi \mapsto \chi^0$  gives a 1-1-correspondence between  $\bar{H}$  and  $\tilde{H}$ . By 4.1.4, the multiplicative character  $\chi^0 \in \tilde{H}$  is a lift for  $\chi$  (i.e.  $\bar{\chi}^0 = \chi$ , where  $\bar{\chi}^0(h) = \overline{\chi^0(h)}$  for all  $h \in H$ , and " $\bar{\phantom{x}}$ " means reduction mod( $\pi$ )).

Since  $B = UH$  and  $U$  is a normal  $p$ -subgroup of  $B$ , any character  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  can be extended to a character  $\chi_B \in \text{Hom}(B, k^\times)$  having  $U$  in its kernel.

Definition 4.1.7 For every  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^\times)$ , let

$$\beta_\chi = |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1})h.$$

It is clear that  $\beta_\chi$  is an idempotent in  $kH$  and that  $1 = \sum_{\chi \in \hat{H}} \beta_\chi$

is an orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition of 1 in  $kH$ .

Since  $H$  normalizes  $U$ , every  $h \in H$  commutes with  $[U]$  and so

$$\beta_\chi [U] = [U] \beta_\chi.$$

For  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , let  $kY_\chi = kG[U]\beta_\chi$ .  $kY_\chi$  is isomorphic as  $kG$ -module to the induced  $kG$ -module  $L_\chi^G$ , where  $L_\chi$  is a one-dimensional  $FB$ -module affording  $\chi_B$ .

Definition 4.1.8 For  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , define  $e_\chi = |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1})A_{h,k}$ .

It is clear that  $e_x (x \in \hat{H})$  is an idempotent in  $E(kY)$  and that

$$4.1.9 \quad 1_{E(kY)} = \sum_{x \in \hat{H}} e_x$$

is an orthogonal idempotent decomposition of  $1_{E(kY)}$  in  $E(kY)$ . Since  $A_{h,k}([U]) = [U]h$  ( $h \in H$ ), we have  $e_x(kY) = kY_x$ . Therefore we have

Proposition 4.1.10 ([CL], Lemma 3.3)

$$kY = \sum_{x \in \hat{H}}^{\oplus} kY_x.$$

□

By remark 4.0.3, for every  $x \in \tilde{H}$ , the idempotent  $e_x \in E(FY)$  can be lifted to an idempotent  $e_x^0 \in E(Y)$ . In fact, since  $x^0 \in \tilde{H}$  is a lift for  $x$ , and since  $x^0(h) \in R$  ( $h \in H$ ), we have

$$e_x^0 = e_{x^0} = |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} x^0(h^{-1}) A_h.$$

Therefore, we can lift the equation 4.1.9 (putting  $k = F$ ) to give an orthogonal idempotent decomposition in  $E(Y)$ .

$$4.1.11 \quad 1_{E(Y)} = \sum_{x \in \tilde{H}} e_{x^0} = \sum_{x \in \tilde{H}} e_x.$$

Hence we have

Proposition 4.1.12  $Y = \sum_{x \in \tilde{H}}^{\oplus} Y_x$ , where  $Y_x = RG[U]\beta_x$ , for all  $x \in \tilde{H}$ .

Proof Follows directly from 4.1.11 and the fact that

$$e_x(Y) = Y_x \quad (x \in \tilde{H}).$$

□

The Weyl group  $W$  acts on  $H$  by conjugation. This action will



induce a  $W$ -action on  $\hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^X)$  as follows: If  $w \in W$  and  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , then  $w\chi \in \hat{H}$  is given by

$$4.1.13 \quad w\chi(h) := \chi(h^{(w)}) \quad \text{for all } h \in H.$$

Now let  $n \in N$  and suppose that  $nH = w \in W$ . Let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  and consider the element  $A_n([U]\beta_\chi)$  of  $Y$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A_n([U]\beta_\chi) &= A_n(\beta_\chi[U]) \\ &= \beta_\chi A_n([U]) \\ &= \beta_\chi [UnU] \\ &= \beta_\chi [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1} nU] \quad \text{by 1.2.3} \\ &= \beta_\chi [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] n [U] \\ &= [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] \beta_\chi n [U] \quad \text{since } H \text{ normalizes } U_{w^{-1}}^{-1} \\ &= [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1}) hn[U] \\ &= [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1}) nn^{-1} hn[U] \\ &= [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1}) nh[U] \\ &= [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] n \beta_{w^{-1}\chi} [U] \quad \text{by 4.1.13} \\ &= [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}] n [U] \beta_{w^{-1}\chi}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

Lemma 4.1.14 ([CL], Lemma 3.14): Suppose  $n \in N$  and let  $nH = w \in W$ .

Then  $A_n$  maps  $Y_\chi$  into  $Y_{w^{-1}\chi}$  for all  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ .

Proof Calculation above gives

$$A_n([U]_{\beta_\chi}) = [UnU]_{\beta_{w^{-1}\chi}} \in Y_{w^{-1}\chi}. \quad \square$$

Notations: We shall use the following notations: If  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^\times)$ , we let  $kY_\chi = e_\chi(kY)$ . For  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)$ , we write  $Y_\chi = e_\chi(Y)$ ,  $KY_\chi = e_\chi(KY)$  and  $FY_\chi = (FY)_{\bar{\chi}} = e_{\bar{\chi}}(FY)$ , where  $\bar{\chi}$  is the modular reduction of  $\chi$ .

#### §4.2 The Simple FG-modules

The simple FG-modules have been studied by many authors. Curtis [C2] and Richen [FR] classified them in terms of the composition factors of the permutation module  $FY = FG[U]$ . Similar classification, but from a different point of view, was given by Carter and Lusztig [CL]. In this section, we outline the theory of Curtis and Richen, and mention some of the work of N. Tinberg [NT2] on the indecomposable FG-summands of  $FY$ . In the end we mention a theorem, due to Green [G3], which relates the simple FG-modules to the simple modules for the Hecke algebra  $E(FY)$ .

Definition (see [CL], §5) For  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , define  $P(\chi) := \{w_i \in R \mid \chi|_{H_i} = 1\}$ .

The following lemma will be needed. For the proof see [CL].

Lemma 4.2.1 ([CL], Lemma 5.1) Suppose  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ . Then

$$w\chi = \chi \quad \text{for all } w \in W_{P(\chi)}. \quad \square$$

Let  $\chi \in \bar{H}$ . In ([C2], Thm. 6.6), Curtis proved that  $\chi$  can be extended uniquely to a character of  $G_{P(\chi)}$  and  $G_{P(\chi)}$  is the maximal parabolic subgroup of  $G$  with this property. If  $J \subseteq P(\chi)$ , we denote by  $\rho_{\chi,J}$  the extension of  $\chi$  to  $G_J$ . Let  $L_{\chi,J}$  ( $J \subseteq P(\chi)$ ) be a one-dimensional  $FG_J$ -module which affords  $\rho_{\chi,J}$ ; we write  $L_{\chi,\phi} = L_{\chi}$ .

The proof of the following theorem was given in [C2] and [FR].

Theorem 4.2.2 Let  $\chi \in \bar{H}$ , then

(i)  $L_{\chi}^G \cong \sum_{J \subseteq P(\chi)}^{\oplus} FY(\chi, J)$ , where  $FY(\chi, J)$  are indecomposable and mutually non-isomorphic.

(ii) If  $S \subseteq P(\chi)$ , then we have

$$L_{\chi,S}^G \cong \sum_{S \subseteq J \subseteq P(\chi)}^{\oplus} FY(\chi, J).$$

Moreover, the indecomposable  $FG$ -module  $FY(\chi, J)$  have simple head and simple socle, and the socles of  $FY(\chi, J)$  are precisely the simple  $FG$ -modules without repeat, as are the heads of the  $FY(\chi, J)$ .  $\square$

Definition If  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ,  $\chi \in \bar{H}$ , we let  $P_J(\chi) = P(\chi) \cap J$ . The set  $\{(\chi, S) \mid \chi \in \bar{H}, S \subseteq P_J(\chi)\}$  are called the admissible  $G_J$ -pairs.

Replacing  $G$  by  $G_J$  ( $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ), in theorem 4.2.2, we see that the indecomposable  $FG_J$ -summands of  $L_{\chi}^{G_J}$  are indexed by the set  $\{(\chi, S) \mid S \subseteq P_J(\chi)\}$  (see [NT2], Lemma 2.9). We denote the indecomposable  $FG_J$ -module corresponding to the admissible  $G_J$ -pair  $(\chi, S)$  by  $FY_J(\chi, S)$ . It follows that

$$L_X^{G_J} \cong \sum_{S \in P_J(X)}^{\oplus} FY_J(X, S) .$$

Since  $(L_X^{G_J})^{G_J} \cong L_X^G$ , and by theorem 4.2.2(i), the induced FG-module  $(FY_J(X, S))^G$  is a direct sum of mutually non-isomorphic indecomposable FG-modules. The following lemma is due to N. Tinberg.

Lemma 4.2.3 ([NT2], Lemma 3.4) Let  $(X, S)$  be an admissible  $G_J$ -pair for some  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , then

$$(FY_J(X, S))^G \cong \sum_{\substack{L \in P(X) \\ L \cap J = S}} FY(X, L) . \quad \square$$

Since  $L_X^G \cong FY_X$ , it follows from theorem 4.2.2(i) that  $FY_X$  is a multiplicity free FG-module. Consequently  $FY \cong \sum_{X \in H}^{\oplus} FY_X$  is also a multiplicity free FG-module. Therefore the simple  $E(FY)$ -modules are all one-dimensional. The one-dimensional characters of  $E(FY)$  were determined by H. Sawada [HS]. If  $\psi(X, J)$  denotes the one-dimensional character of  $E(FY)$  corresponding to the indecomposable FG-summand  $FY(X, J)$  of  $FY$ , then  $\psi(X, J)$  is given by

$$\psi(X, J)(A_{h, F}) = \chi(h) \quad \text{for all } h \in H ,$$

4.2.4 and

$$\psi(X, J)(A_{(w_i), F}) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } w_i \in P(X) \setminus J \\ 0 & \text{if } w_i \notin P(X) \setminus J \end{cases}$$

for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ . The set

$$\{\psi(X, J) \mid (X, J) \text{ is admissible } G\text{-pair}\}$$

is a complete set of the one-dimensional characters of  $E(FY)$  .

Let  $M \in \text{mod } FG$  . We saw in (§2.2, Prop. 2.2.15) that  $I_U(M) := \{m \in M \mid um = m, \forall u \in U\}$  has a structure of right  $E(FY)$ -module. For an admissible  $G$ -pair  $(\chi, J)$  , let  $M(\chi, J)$  denote the head of the indecomposable  $FG$ -module  $FY(\chi, J)$  . The following theorem has been proved, in a more general setting, by Green [G2]. It gives a 1-1 correspondence between the simple  $FG$ -modules and the one-dimensional characters of  $E(FY)$  .

Theorem 4.2.5 (Green [G2], Theorem 2) The map  $M \mapsto I_U(M)$  induces a bijection between the set of simple  $FG$ -modules and the set of simple right  $E(FY)$ -modules. If  $M = M(\chi, J)$  then  $I_U(M)$  is the one-dimensional  $E(FY)$ -module affording the character  $\psi(\chi, J)$  .

□

## CHAPTER 5. The R-order $S_X$

The R-lattice  $Y = RG[U] (= \sum_{\chi \in \hat{H}}^{\oplus} Y_{\chi})$  is naturally left  $E(Y)$ -module by setting

$$Ay := A(y) \quad \text{for all } A \in E(Y), \quad y \in Y.$$

We saw in lemma 4.1.14 that the map  $A_n$  ( $n \in N$ ) of  $E(Y)$  maps  $Y_{\chi}$  into  $Y_{w^{-1}\chi}$  for every  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , where  $nH = w \in W$ .

### Definition 5.0.1

(i) For  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^{\times})$ , denote by  $(\chi)$  the  $W$ -orbit of  $\chi$ , i.e.  $(\chi) := \{w\chi \mid w \in W\}$ .

$$\text{Let } e_{(\chi)} := \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)} e_{\lambda} \quad \text{and} \quad kY_{(\chi)} := e_{(\chi)}(kY).$$

(ii) For  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^{\times})$ , defined  $Y_{(\chi)} = e_{(\chi)}(Y)$ .

Now let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ . By lemma 4.1.14, the RG-lattice  $Y_{(\chi)} (= \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)} Y_{\lambda})$  is a left  $(E(Y), RG)$ -bimodule. It is clear that  $e_{(\chi)}$  is an idempotent in  $E(Y)$ . Let  $S_{\chi} = e_{(\chi)}E(Y)e_{(\chi)}$ . Since  $Y_{(\chi)} = e_{(\chi)}(Y)$ , it follows (see appendix, lemma 1) that  $S_{\chi}$  is an R-algebra isomorphic to  $E(Y_{(\chi)})$ .

Notations 5.0.2 For  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^{\times})$ , we let  $kS_{\chi} := e_{(\chi)}E(kY)e_{(\chi)}$ , and if  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, k^{\times})$ , we write  $FS_{\chi}$  for the F-algebra  $e_{(\chi)}E(FY)e_{(\chi)}$ . It is clear that if  $\chi \in \text{Hom}(H, k^{\times})$  then  $e_{(\chi)}$  is an idempotent in  $E(kY)$  and  $kS_{\chi} \cong E(e_{(\chi)}(kY))$ .

The RG-lattice  $Y_{(X)}$  ( $X \in \hat{H}$ ) is  $p$ -endostable, since it is a direct RG-summand of the  $p$ -endostable RG-lattice  $Y$  (see [G2], Lemma 2.4(i)). Therefore, we have  $F \otimes_R E(Y_{(X)}) = E(FY_{(X)})$  and so

$$FS_X \cong E(FY_{(X)}) \cong E(Y_{(X)})/\pi E(Y_{(X)}) \cong S_X/\pi S_X.$$

Hence we may regard  $S_X$  as an  $R$ -order in  $KS_X$ .

In this chapter, we consider the system  $(KS_X, S_X, FS_X)$ . The significance of studying this system is given by the following:

Proposition 5.0.3

- (i) If  $\lambda, \mu \in \hat{H}$ , then  $\text{Hom}_{RG}(Y_\lambda, Y_\mu) = 0$  unless  $\mu \in (\lambda)$ .
- (ii)  $E(Y) \cong \coprod S_X$ , where the sum is taken over a set of representatives of the  $W$ -orbits of  $\hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^X)$ .

Proof (i) If  $\lambda \in \hat{H}$ , let  $R_\lambda$  denote the RB-lattice of rank one which affords  $\lambda$ . It is clear that  $Y_\lambda \cong R_\lambda^G$ , for every  $\lambda \in \hat{H}$ . From Mackey decomposition and since the elements of  $W$  form a set of  $(B, B)$ -double coset representatives of  $G$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (Y_\lambda, Y_\mu)_{RG} &\cong (R_\lambda^G, R_\mu^G)_{RG} \\ &\cong \sum_{w \in W} (R_{w\lambda}, R_\mu)_{B \cap {}^w B}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $H \leq B \cap {}^w B$ , for all  $w \in W$ , we then have  $(R_{w\lambda}, R_\mu)_{B \cap {}^w B} = 0$  unless  $w\lambda = \mu$ ; i.e. unless  $\mu \in (\lambda)$ .

(ii) Follows from (i) and the fact that  $S_X \cong E(Y_{(X)})$ .

□

It is clear that  $S_X$ ,  $X \in \hat{H}$ , is the R-span of the set

$$\{e_\lambda A_n e_\mu \mid \lambda, \mu \in (X) \text{ and } n \in N\}.$$

But since  $e_\lambda A_h = \lambda(h)e_\lambda$ , for all  $h \in H$  and all  $\lambda \in (X)$ , it follows from 4.1.2(i) that  $S_X$  is the R-span of the set

$$\{e_\lambda A_{(w)} e_\mu \mid \lambda, \mu \in (X) \text{ and } w \in W\}.$$

Let  $\lambda, \mu \in \hat{H}$ , and let  $w \in W$ . Consider  $e_\lambda A_{(w)} e_\mu \in E(Y)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} e_\lambda A_{(w)} e_\mu ([U]) &= \sum_{h, h'} \frac{1}{|H|^2} \lambda(h^{-1}) \mu(h'^{-1}) A_h A_{(w)} A_{h'} ([U]) \\ &= \sum_{h, h'} \frac{1}{|H|^2} \lambda(h^{-1}) \mu(h'^{-1}) h' [U_{w^{-1}}^{-}] (w) h [U] \quad \text{by 1.2.3} \\ &= \sum_{h, h'} \frac{1}{|H|^2} \lambda(h^{-1}) \mu(h'^{-1}) h' [U_{w^{-1}}^{-}] (w) h (w)^{-1} (w) [U] \\ &= \sum_{h, h'} \frac{1}{|H|^2} \lambda(h^{-1}) \mu(h'^{-1}) h' [U_{w^{-1}}^{-}]^{(w)} h (w) [U] \\ &= \sum_{h, h'} \frac{1}{|H|^2} \lambda(h^{-1}) \mu(h'^{-1}) h' (w) h [U_{w^{-1}}^{-}] (w) [U] \end{aligned}$$

since  $H$  normalizes  $U_{w^{-1}}^{-}$

$$5.0.4 \quad = \beta_\mu \beta_{w\lambda} [U_{w^{-1}}^{-}] (w) [U].$$

Hence we have



Lemma 5.0.5 Suppose  $\lambda, \mu \in \hat{H}$  and  $w \in W$ , then

$$e_{\lambda} A_{(w)} e_{\mu} = \begin{cases} A_{(w)} e_{\mu} & \text{if } w\lambda = \mu \\ 0 & \text{if } w\lambda \neq \mu \end{cases}.$$

Proof From 5.0.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\lambda} A_{(w)} e_{\mu} ([U]) &= \beta_{\mu} \beta_{w\lambda} ([U(w)U]) \\ &= \begin{cases} \beta_{\mu} [U(w)U] & \text{if } w\lambda = \mu \\ 0 & \text{if } w\lambda \neq \mu \end{cases}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{But } \beta_{\mu} [U(w)U] &= \frac{1}{|H|} \sum_{\mu} (h^{-1}) h [U_{w^{-1}}^{-1}](w) [U] \\ &= A_{(w)} e_{\mu} ([U]). \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 5.0.6  $A_{(w)} e_{\mu} = e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)}$ , for all  $\mu \in \hat{H}$  and all  $w \in W$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof } e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} &= e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} 1_{E(Y)} \\ &= e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} \left( \sum_{\lambda \in \hat{H}} e_{\lambda} \right) \\ &= \sum_{\lambda \in \hat{H}} e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} e_{\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

By 5.0.5,  $e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} e_{\lambda} = 0$  unless  $\lambda = \mu$ , and  $e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} e_{\mu} = A_{(w)} e_{\mu}$ .

Therefore  $e_{w^{-1}\mu} A_{(w)} = A_{(w)} e_{\mu}$ . □

We now describe an R-basis for the R-order  $S_X$ .

Proposition 5.0.7 For  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , the R-order  $S_\chi$  is of rank  $|W| |\chi|$ . In fact the set  $\{e_\lambda A_{(w)} \mid \lambda \in (\chi) \text{ and } w \in W\}$  is an R-basis for  $S_\chi$ .

Proof Since  $S_\chi$  is the R-span of  $\{e_\lambda A_{(w)} e_\mu \mid \lambda, \mu \in (\chi) \text{ and } w \in W\}$ , it follows from 5.0.5 and 5.0.6 that  $S_\chi$  is the R-span of the set  $T = \{e_\lambda A_{(w)} \mid \lambda \in (\chi) \text{ and } w \in W\}$ . It remains to show that the elements of  $T$  are linearly independent. Suppose that

$$5.0.8 \quad \sum_{\substack{\lambda \in (\chi) \\ w \in W}} c_{\lambda, w} e_\lambda A_{(w)} = 0,$$

where  $c_{\lambda, w} \in R$ , for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$  and all  $w \in W$ . Then by multiplying the equation 5.0.8 from the left by  $e_\mu$  ( $\mu \in (\chi)$ ), and since  $e_\mu e_\lambda = 0$ , for every  $\lambda \in (\chi)$  with  $\lambda \neq \mu$ , we then have

$$5.0.9 \quad \sum_{w \in W} c_{\mu, w} e_\mu A_{(w)} = 0.$$

But since  $e_\mu A_{(w)}$  ( $w \in W$ ) is a linear combination of elements  $A_n$ , with  $n \in (w)H$ , and since the elements  $A_n$  ( $n \in N$ ) are linearly independent in  $E(Y)$ , equation 5.0.9 implies that  $c_{\mu, w} = 0$  for all  $w \in W$ . Repeating this process for all  $\mu \in (\chi)$ , we get  $c_{\mu, w} = 0$  for all  $w \in W$  and all  $\mu \in (\chi)$ . This proves that the elements of  $T$  are linearly independent and hence completes the proof of 5.0.7.  $\square$

The next proposition describes the multiplication rule in  $S_\chi$ .

Proposition 5.0.10 Let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ .

(i) For  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$ , we have

$$e_\lambda A_{(w)} e_\mu A_{(v)} \neq 0 \iff \mu = w\lambda, \text{ for all } v, w \in W.$$

(ii) If  $w \in W$ ,  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  and  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , then

$$e_{\lambda}^{A(w)} e_{w\lambda}^{A(w_i)} = \begin{cases} e_{\lambda}^{A(w_i)(w)} & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| e_{\lambda}^{A(w_i)(w)} + (w\lambda)_i e_{\lambda}^{A(w)} & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w) \end{cases}$$

and

$$e_{\lambda}^{A(w_i)} e_{w_i\lambda}^{A(w)} = \begin{cases} e_{\lambda}^{A(w)(w_i)} & \text{if } \ell(w w_i) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| e_{\lambda}^{A(w)(w_i)} + (w_i\lambda)_i e_{\lambda}^{A(w)} & \text{if } \ell(w w_i) < \ell(w) , \end{cases}$$

where, for any  $\mu \in (\chi)$  and  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ ,

$$\mu_i := \sum_{x \in U_i} \star \mu(h_i(x)) .$$

Proof (i) Follows easily from 5.0.6 and the fact that  $e_{\lambda} e_{\mu} = 0$ , for all  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$  with  $\lambda \neq \mu$ .

(ii) From 5.0.6 and 4.1.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\lambda}^{A(w)} e_{w\lambda}^{A(w_i)} &= e_{\lambda}^{A(w)} A(w_i) \\ &= e_{\lambda} \begin{cases} A(w_i)(w) & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| A(w_i)(w) + A(w) \left( \sum_{x \in U_i} \star A_{h_i}(x) \right) & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w) \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} e_{\lambda}^{A(w_i)(w)} & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| e_{\lambda}^{A(w_i)(w)} + A(w) e_{w\lambda} \left( \sum_{x \in U_i} \star A_{h_i}(x) \right) & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{cases} e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i)}(w) & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ |U_i| e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i)}(w) + \left( \sum_{x \in U_i^*} w_{\lambda}(h_i(x)) \right) e_{\lambda} A_{(w)} & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w) \end{cases} .$$

The proof of the second part of (ii) is similar.  $\square$

The next Corollary follows from 5.0.10.

Corollary 5.0.11  $S_{\chi}$ ,  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , is generated as an  $R$ -algebra by  $\{e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i)} \mid \lambda \in (\chi) \text{ and } w_i \in \underline{R}\}$ .  $\square$

Remark 5.0.12 Replacing  $Y_{(\chi)}$  and  $S_{\chi}$  ( $\chi \in \hat{H}$ ) by  $kY_{(\chi)}$  and  $kS_{\chi}$  ( $\chi \in \hat{H}$ ), respectively, it is easy to see that all the previous results for  $S_{\chi}$  are valid for  $kS_{\chi}$ . In particular  $kS_{\chi}$  is of dimension  $|W| |(\chi)|$ , in fact  $kS_{\chi}$  has a  $k$ -basis  $\{e_{\lambda} A_{(w)}, k \mid \lambda \in (\chi), w \in W\}$ . If  $k \in \{K, F\}$ , we identify  $e_{\lambda} A_{(w)}, k$  with  $\text{Id}_k \otimes e_{\lambda} A_{(w)}$  ( $\lambda \in (\chi), w \in W$ ).

The following lemma, concerning the coefficient  $\mu_i = \sum_{x \in U_i^*} \mu(h_i(x))$  ( $\mu \in \hat{H}$ ), was proved by Carter and Lusztig [CL] for an arbitrary field  $k$ .

Lemma 5.0.13 ([CL], Cor. 3.12) Suppose that  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ . If  $w_i \chi \neq \chi$ ,  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ , then  $\sum_{x \in U_i^*} \chi(h_i(x)) = 0$ .  $\square$

Proposition 5.0.14 Suppose that  $\text{char } k \neq p$ , and let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ . Then

(i) The map  $\theta : kY_{\lambda} \rightarrow kY_{w_i \lambda}$ , induced by  $e_{w_i \lambda} A_{(w_i)}, k$ , is a  $kG$ -isomorphism, for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  and all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ .

(ii)  $kY_{\lambda} \cong kY_{\mu}$  as  $kG$ -modules, for all  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$ .

Proof (i) We may assume that  $w_i \lambda \neq \lambda$ . Let  $\beta : kY_{w_i \lambda} \rightarrow kY_\lambda$  be the  $kG$ -map induced by  $e_\lambda A_{(w_i), k}$ . Consider  $\beta\theta \in E(kY_\lambda)$ .  $\beta\theta$  is induced by

$$\begin{aligned} e_\lambda A_{(w_i), k} e_{w_i \lambda} A_{(w_i), k} &= e_\lambda A_{(w_i), k}^2 && \text{by 5.0.6} \\ &= e_\lambda (|U_i| A_{(w_i), k}^2 + (\sum_{x \in U_i} \star A_{(w_i)}^{-1} h_i(x)(w_i)) A_{(w_i), k}) && \text{by 5.0.10} \\ &= |U_i| \lambda((w_i)^2) e_\lambda + (\sum_{x \in U_i} w_i \lambda(h_i(x))) e_\lambda A_{(w_i), k} && \text{since } (w_i)^2 \in H \\ &= |U_i| \lambda((w_i)^2) e_\lambda && \text{by 5.0.13, since } w_i \lambda \neq \lambda \\ &= c e_\lambda && \text{, where } c = |U_i| \lambda((w_i)^2) \in k. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly  $\theta\beta \in E(kY_{w_i \lambda})$  is induced by  $c' e_{w_i \lambda}$ , where

$c' = |U_i| w_i \lambda((w_i)^2) \in k$ . Since  $|U_i|$ ,  $\lambda((w_i)^2)$  and  $w_i \lambda((w_i)^2)$  are all non-zero in  $k$ ,  $c$  and  $c'$  are non-zero in  $k$  and so we have  $c^{-1} \beta\theta = e_\lambda$  and  $\theta.c'^{-1} \beta = e_{w_i \lambda}$ . Therefore  $\lambda$  is a  $k$ -isomorphism and hence  $kG$ -isomorphism, since it is a  $kG$ -map.

(ii) If  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$  then  $\mu = w\lambda$  for some  $w \in W$ . Let  $w = w_{i_1} w_{i_2} \dots w_{i_m}$  be a reduced expression of  $w$ . Then, by (i), we have a sequence

$$kY_\mu \rightarrow kY_{w_{i_2} \dots w_{i_m} \lambda} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow kY_{w_{i_m} \lambda} \rightarrow kY_\lambda$$

of  $kG$ -isomorphisms. Therefore  $kY_\mu \cong kY_\lambda$  as  $kG$ -modules.

□

Since the multiplication relations in 5.0.10 involve  $|U_i|$ , and since  $|U_i|$  is a power of  $p$  ([C2], 3.3) (hence  $|U_i| \in \pi R$ ), the multiplication rule in  $FS_\chi$  will have a simpler form. In fact we have

Lemma 5.0.15 Let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ .

(i) For  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$ , we have

$$e_\lambda A_{(w),F} e_\mu A_{(v),F} \neq 0 \iff \mu = w\lambda \quad \forall v, w \in W.$$

(ii) If  $w \in W$ ,  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ , and  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , then

$$e_\lambda A_{(w),F} e_{w\lambda} A_{(w_i),F} = \begin{cases} e_\lambda A_{(w_i)(w),F} & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ (w\lambda)_i e_\lambda A_{(w_i)(w),F} & \text{if } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w), \end{cases}$$

and

$$e_\lambda A_{(w_i),F} e_{w_i\lambda} A_{(w),F} = \begin{cases} e_\lambda A_{(w)(w_i),F} & \text{if } \ell(w w_i) > \ell(w) \\ (w_i\lambda)_i e_\lambda A_{(w)(w_i),F} & \text{if } \ell(w w_i) < \ell(w). \end{cases}$$

□

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## §5.1 The case when $\chi$ is regular

Definition Let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ .  $\chi$  is said to be regular if  $w\chi = \chi$ ,  $w \in W$ , implies that  $w = 1$ .

In this section we discuss the case when  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  is regular. First we have

Proposition 5.1.1 Suppose  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  is regular. Then

- (i) The  $kG$ -module  $kY_x$  is indecomposable.
- (ii) If  $x \in \hat{H}$  then the  $RG$ -lattice  $Y_x$  is indecomposable.
- (iii) If  $k = K$ , then  $KY_x$  is absolutely irreducible.

Proof (i) We have  $kY_x = kG[U]e_x = e_x(kY)$ , and  $e_x$  is an idempotent in  $E(kY)$ . Consider the endomorphism algebra  $E(kY_x)$ . We have  $E(kY_x) \cong e_x E(kY) e_x$  (see appendix, lemma 1), and the  $k$ -algebra  $e_x E(kY) e_x$  is the  $k$ -span of  $\{e_x A_{(w),k} e_x \mid w \in W\}$ . But since  $x$  is regular, it follows from 5.0.5 that  $e_x A_{(w),k} e_x = 0$  for all  $1 \neq w \in W$ . Therefore  $e_x E(kY) e_x = k \cdot e_x$ , and so  $E(kY_x)$  is a local ring (see [CRII], Prop. 5.21) which implies that  $kY_x$  is indecomposable  $kG$ -module.

(ii) Follows from case  $k = F$  of (i).

(iii) From the proof of (i), we have  $E(KY_x) \cong K$ . But  $KY_x$  is completely reducible, hence  $KY_x$  is absolutely irreducible.

Remark 5.1.2 If  $x \in \hat{H}$  then, from 5.0.14(ii), we have  $KY_\lambda \cong KY_\mu$  as  $KG$ -modules for all  $\lambda, \mu \in (x)$ . If  $x$  is regular, it follows from 5.1.1(iii) that  $KY_\lambda$  is absolutely irreducible for all  $\lambda \in (x)$ . Consequently  $(KY_\lambda, KY_\mu) \cong E(KY_\lambda) \cong K$  (Schur's Lemma) for all  $\lambda, \mu \in (x)$ . Therefore the  $K$ -algebra  $KS_x (\cong E(KY_{(x)}))$  (which is semisimple in this case) is isomorphic to a full matrix algebra  $M_{|W|}(K)$ .

The  $F$ -algebra  $FS_x$

We are still assuming that  $x \in \hat{H}$  is regular. We will consider the  $F$ -algebra  $FS_x = F \otimes_R S_x$ . It follows from 5.0.13 that, if  $\mu \in (x)$ , then

$$\sum_{x \in U_i} \mu(h_i(x)) = 0 \text{ for all } w_i \in \underline{R}.$$

The next lemma follows from 5.0.15.

Lemma 5.1.3 In the F-algebra  $FS_\chi$ ,

$$e_{\lambda}^{A(w),F} e_{w\lambda}^{A(v),F} = \begin{cases} e_{\lambda}^{A(v)(w),F} & \text{if } \ell(vw) = \ell(v) + \ell(w) \\ 0 & \text{if } \ell(vw) \neq \ell(v) + \ell(w), \end{cases}$$

for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$  and all  $w, v \in W$ .

□

Since  $e_{\lambda}(FY) = FY_{\lambda}$  is an indecomposable FG-module (5.1.1(i)) for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , it follows that  $e_{\lambda}$  is primitive for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$  and  $e_{(\chi)} = \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)} e_{\lambda}$  is an orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition of  $e_{(\chi)} (= 1_{FS_\chi})$  in  $FS_\chi$ . Therefore

$$5.1.4 \quad FS_\chi = \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)}^{\oplus} e_{\lambda} FS_\chi$$

is a decomposition of  $FS_\chi$  into a direct sum of projective indecomposable right  $FS_\chi$ -modules. We shall prove below (see proof of 5.1.5) that the F-algebra  $FS_\chi$  has  $|W|$  ( $= |(\chi)|$ ) simple modules.

For each  $0 \leq r \leq n_0$ , define  $J_r$  to be the subspace of  $FS_\chi$  spanned by the set  $\{e_{\lambda}^{A(w),F} \mid \lambda \in (\chi), w \in W \text{ with } \ell(w) \geq r\}$ .

Proposition 5.1.5

- (i)  $J_r$  is 2-sided ideal of  $FS_\chi$  for all  $1 \leq r \leq n_0$ .
- (ii)  $J_1^r = J_r$  for all  $1 \leq r \leq n_0$ .



(iii)  $J_1 = \underline{r}(FS_X)$ , the Jacobson radical of  $FS_X$ .

(iv)  $FS_X > J_1 > J_2 > \dots > J_{n_0} > 0$  is the radical series of  $FS_X$ .

Proof (i) Clear from 5.1.3.

(ii) We use the induction on  $r$ . It is obviously true for  $r = 1$ .

So let  $1 < n \leq n_0$  and suppose that  $J_1^n = J_n$ . Consider  $J_1^{n+1}$ ;

$J_1^{n+1} = J_1^n J_1 = J_n J_1$  is the  $F$ -span of the set

$\{e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} e_{\mu} A_{(v),F} \mid \lambda, \mu \in (\chi), \text{ and } v, w \in W \text{ with } \ell(w) \geq n \text{ and } \ell(v) \geq 1\}$ .

By 5.0.10 and 5.1.3, if  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$  and if  $v, w \in W$  then

$e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} e_{\mu} A_{(v),F} = 0$  if  $\mu \neq \lambda$  and

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} e_{w\lambda} A_{(v),F} &= e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} A_{(v),F} \\ &= \begin{cases} e_{\lambda} A_{(v)(w),F} & \text{if } \ell(vw) = \ell(v) + \ell(w) \\ 0 & \text{if } \ell(vw) \neq \ell(v) + \ell(w) . \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

If  $(v)(w) = (vw)h$  for some  $h \in H$ , and  $\ell(vw) = \ell(v) + \ell(w)$  then

$\ell(vw) \geq n + 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\lambda} A_{(v)(w),F} &= e_{\lambda} A_{(vw)h,F} \\ &= e_{\lambda} A_{h,F} A_{(vw),F} && \text{by 5.0.15(ii)} \\ &= \lambda(h) e_{\lambda} A_{(vw),F} \in J_{n+1} . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $J_n J_1 \subseteq J_{n+1}$ . Conversely, if  $w \in W$  with  $\ell(w) = n+1$ , then

we can write  $w = w_i v$  with  $v^{-1}(\alpha_i) > 0$ , where  $\alpha_i$  is the simple root corresponds to  $w_i$ . It follows that  $\ell(v) \geq n$  and if  $\lambda \in (\chi)$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_\lambda A_{(w),F} &= e_\lambda A_{(w_i v),F} \\
 &= e_\lambda A_{(w_i)(v)h',F} \quad \text{for some } h' \in H \\
 &= e_\lambda A_{h',F} A_{(w_i)(v),F} \\
 &= \lambda(h') e_\lambda A_{(v),F} A_{(w_i),F} \quad \text{by 5.0.15(ii)} \\
 &= \lambda(h') e_\lambda A_{(v),F} e_{v\lambda} A_{(w_i),F} \quad \text{by 5.0.15(i)} \\
 &\in J_n J_1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $J_{n+1} \subseteq J_n J_1$  and so  $J_1^{n+1} = J_n J_1 = J_{n+1}$ , which completes the induction and hence the proof of (ii).

(iii) It is clear from (ii) that  $J_1$  is nilpotent 2-sided ideal, hence  $J_1 \subseteq \underline{r}(\text{FS}_\chi)$  ([CRII], Prop. 5.15). To show that  $\underline{r}(\text{FS}_\chi) \subseteq J_1$ , it is enough to show that  $\text{FS}_\chi/J_1$  is semisimple (see [CRII], Cor. 5.2).

It is clear that  $\text{FS}_\chi/J_1 = \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)}^\oplus F.(e_\lambda + J_1)$ , and that for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ ,

$$(e_\lambda + J_1).e_\mu = \begin{cases} e_\lambda + J_1 & \text{if } \lambda = \mu \\ 0 & \text{if } \lambda \neq \mu \end{cases}$$

and

$$(e_\lambda + J_1)e_\mu A_{(w_i),F} = 0 \quad \text{for all } \mu \in (\chi), w_i \in \underline{R}.$$

Therefore, putting  $S_\lambda := F.(e_\lambda + J_1)$ ,  $S_\lambda$  is a one-dimensional (hence simple)  $\text{FS}_\chi$ -module affording the character

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_\lambda &: e_\lambda \rightarrow 1 \\ &: e_\mu \rightarrow 0 && \text{for all } \mu \neq \lambda \\ &: e_\mu A_{(w_i), F} \rightarrow 0 && \text{for all } \mu \in (\chi) \text{ and all } w_i \in \underline{R}.\end{aligned}$$

It is clear that if  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$  then  $\psi_\lambda \neq \psi_\mu$ , if  $\lambda \neq \mu$ . Hence  $FS_\chi/J_1$  is semisimple right  $FS_\chi$ -module and so  $\underline{r}(FS_\chi) \subseteq J_1$ . Therefore  $J_1 = \underline{r}(FS_\chi)$ .

(iv) It is enough to show that  $J_r/J_{r+1}$  is semisimple right  $FS_\chi$ -module or equivalently  $J_r \underline{r}(FS_\chi) (= J_r J_1, \text{ by (iii)}) = J_{r+1}$ . But this follows from (iii). This completes the proof of 4.3.20.  $\square$

Note that since  $FS_\chi/J_1 \cong \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)}^\oplus S_\lambda$ ,  $\{S_\lambda, \lambda \in (\chi)\}$  form a full set of simple right  $FS_\chi$ -modules.

As a corollary to the proof of 5.1.5(ii) we have

Lemma 5.1.6 For every  $1 \leq r \leq n_0$ ,  $J_1^r$  is generated as right  $FS_\chi$ -module by the set

$$\{e_\lambda A_{(w), F} / \lambda \in (\chi), w \in W \text{ with } \ell(w) = r\}.$$

$\square$

For every  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , let  $P_\lambda = e_\lambda FS_\chi$ . From 5.1.4,  $P_\lambda$  is a projective indecomposable right  $FS_\chi$ -module for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , and

$$FS_\chi = \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)}^\oplus P_\lambda.$$

It is clear that  $\dim_F P_\lambda = |W|$  for all  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ ; in fact

$$P_\lambda = \sum_{w \in W}^\oplus F \cdot e_\lambda A_{(w), F}. \text{ By 5.1.5(iv), } P_\lambda \text{ has a Loewy series ([PL], p.27)}$$

$$5.1.7 \quad X_0 = P_\lambda > X_1 > \dots > X_{n_0} > 0 ,$$

where, for all  $0 \leq r \leq n_0$ ,

$$X_r = P_\lambda J_1^r = \sum_{\substack{w \in W \\ \ell(w) \geq r}}^{\oplus} F \cdot e_\lambda A_{(w),F} .$$

Fix  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , and consider the semisimple quotient  $X_r/X_{r+1}$ ,  $0 \leq r \leq n_0-1$ , in the Loewy series 5.1.7 of  $P_\lambda$ .

$$X_r/X_{r+1} = \sum_{\substack{w \in W \\ \ell(w)=r}}^{\oplus} F \cdot (e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1}) .$$

If  $\mu \in (\chi)$ , and  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ , then by 5.0.5

$$\begin{aligned} (*) \quad & (e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1})e_\mu = e_\lambda A_{(w),F}e_\mu + X_{r+1} \\ & = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mu \neq w\lambda \\ e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1} & \text{if } \mu = w\lambda \end{cases} , \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & (e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1})e_\mu A_{(w_i),F} = e_\lambda A_{(w),F}e_\mu A_{(w_i),F} + X_{r+1} \\ & = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mu \neq w\lambda \text{ or } \ell(w_i w) \neq \ell(w) + 1 \\ e_\lambda A_{(w_i)(w),F} + X_{r+1} & \text{if } \mu = w\lambda \text{ and } \ell(w_i w) = \ell(w) + 1 . \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

But  $e_\lambda A_{(w_i)(w),F}$  is a scalar multiple of  $e_\lambda A_{(w_i w),F} \in X_{r+1}$  (since  $\ell(w) = r$ ), therefore

$$(**) \quad (e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1})e_\mu A_{(w_i),F} = 0 , \text{ for all } \mu \in (\chi) , w_i \in \underline{R} .$$

From (\*) and (\*\*), it follows that  $F.(e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1})$  is one-dimensional right  $FS_\chi$ -module which affords the character  $\psi_{w\lambda}$ , hence  $F.(e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1}) \cong S_{w\lambda}$ .

Summarizing the above we have

Proposition 5.1.8 Let  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  be regular, and let  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ . Let  $P_\lambda$  be the projective indecomposable right  $FS_\chi$ -module whose Loewy series is given by 5.1.7. Then

- (i) For all  $0 \leq r \leq \ell$ ,  $X_r$  is generated as an  $FS_\chi$ -module by the set  $\{e_\lambda A_{(w),F} \mid w \in W \text{ with } \ell(w) = r\}$ .
- (ii)  $X_r/X_{r+1} \cong \sum_{\substack{w \in W \\ \ell(w)=r}}^\oplus S_{w\lambda}$ , for all  $0 \leq r \leq \ell-1$ .
- (iii) For all  $w \in W$ ,  $S_{w\lambda}$  appears as a composition factor of  $P_\lambda$  with multiplicity 1.

Proof (i) Follows from the fact that  $X_r = P_\lambda J_1^r$  and using 5.1.6.

(ii) Clear since  $X_r/X_{r+1} = \sum_{\substack{w \in W \\ \ell(w)=r}}^\oplus F.(e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1})$ , and  $F.(e_\lambda A_{(w),F} + X_{r+1}) \cong S_{w\lambda}$ .

(iii) Follows from (ii) and the fact that  $\dim_F P_\lambda = |W|$ . □

Remark It follows from 5.1.8 (iii) that the Cartan matrix  $C$  of the

$F$ -algebra  $FS_\chi$  has the form  $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{|W| \times |W|}$ .

In particular,  $C$  is singular unless  $|W| = 1$ .

Let  $S = \sum_{\lambda \in (\chi)}^{\oplus} F.e_{\lambda}$ .  $S$  is an  $F$ -subalgebra of  $FS_{\chi}$  with identity element  $e_{(\chi)}$ . Let  $\lambda \in (\chi)$ , and consider the projective indecomposable right  $FS_{\chi}$ -module  $P_{\lambda}$  as right  $S$ -module. For all  $\mu \in (\chi)$ , and all  $w \in W$

$$e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} e_{\mu} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mu \neq w\lambda \\ e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} & \text{if } \mu = w\lambda \end{cases}.$$

Therefore, for all  $w \in W$ ,  $F.e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F}$  is a one-dimensional right  $S$ -module affording the character

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\mu} &\rightarrow 0 & \text{if } \mu \neq w\lambda, \\ e_{w\lambda} &\rightarrow 1 \end{aligned}.$$

Hence for every subset  $T$  of  $W$ , if we let  $M_T = \sum_{w \in T}^{\oplus} F.e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F}$ , then  $M_T$  is a right  $S$ -submodule of  $P_{\lambda}$ . Conversely, if  $M$  is an  $S$ -submodule of  $P_{\lambda}$ , then for all  $\mu \in (\chi)$ ,  $Me_{\mu} \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu = w\lambda$  for some  $w \in W$ , in which case  $Me_{\mu} = F.e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} \leq M$ , hence  $M = \sum_{w \in T} F.e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} = M_T$  for some subset  $T$  of  $W$ . It is clear from the above argument that, if  $T_1, T_2$  are subsets of  $W$ , then  $T_1 \subseteq T_2 \Leftrightarrow M_{T_1}$  is  $S$ -submodule of  $M_{T_2}$ . Therefore we have

Proposition 5.1.9 The map  $T \mapsto M_T$  gives a lattice isomorphism between the lattice of subsets of  $W$  and the lattice of  $S$ -submodules of  $P_{\lambda}$ .  $\square$

Now, for a given subset  $T$  of  $W$ , we would like to know under which condition the  $S$ -submodule  $M_T$  of  $P_{\lambda}$  will be an  $FS_{\chi}$ -submodule.

We need the following definition.

Definition 5.1.10

- (i) If  $v, w \in W$ , write  $v \dot{\leq} w$  if  $w = w_i v$  for some  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  such that  $v^{-1}(\alpha_i) \in \Phi^+$ , i.e. such that  $\ell(w_i v) > \ell(v)$ .
- (ii) (Bruhat ordering): Say  $v \leq w$  ( $v, w \in W$ ) if there exists a sequence  $v = v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n = w$  such that  $v_i \dot{\leq} v_{i+1}$  for all  $0 \leq i \leq n-1$ .

Now we return to the  $S$ -submodule  $M_T$  of  $P_\lambda$ , where  $T \subseteq W$ . By 5.1.3, if  $w \in W$ , then for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  and all  $\mu \in (\chi)$ ,

$$5.1.11 \quad e_{\lambda}^{A(w),F} e_{\mu}^{A(w_i),F} = \begin{cases} e_{\lambda}^{A(w_i)(w),F} & \text{if } \mu = w\lambda \text{ and } \ell(w_i w) > \ell(w) \\ 0 & \text{if either } \mu \neq w\lambda \text{ or } \ell(w_i w) < \ell(w) \end{cases}$$

Definition A subset  $T$  of  $W$  is said to be "good" if  $w \in T$  implies  $v \in T$  for all  $v \in W$  with  $w \leq v$ .

Lemma 5.1.12 For a given  $T \subseteq W$ , the  $S$ -submodule  $M_T$  of  $P_\lambda$  is an  $FS_\chi$ -submodule if and only if  $T$  is "good".

Proof Suppose that  $M_T = \sum_{w \in T} F \cdot e_{\lambda}^{A(w)} is  $FS_\chi$ -submodule of  $P_\lambda$ .$

Since  $FS_\chi$  is generated as an  $F$ -algebra by

$\{e_{\mu}^{A(w_i),F} \mid \mu \in (\chi), w_i \in \underline{R}\}$ , it follows that if  $w \in T$  then

$e_{\lambda}^{A(w),F} e_{\mu}^{A(w_i),F} \in M_T$ , for all  $\mu \in (\chi)$  and all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ .

In particular, if  $\mu = w\lambda$  and  $\ell(w_i w) > \ell(w)$ , then by 5.1.11

$$e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} e_{\mu} A_{(w_i),F} = e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i)(w),F} \in M_T .$$

But since  $e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i)(w),F}$  is a scalar multiple of  $e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i w),F}$  ,  
it follows that  $e_{\lambda} A_{(w_i w),F} \in M_T$  , for every  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  with  
 $\ell(w_i w) > \ell(w)$  . Hence  $w_i w \in T$  for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  with  $\ell(w_i w) > \ell(w)$  ,  
or equivalently  $T$  contains all the elements  $v \in W$  with  $w \leq v$  .  
Consequently  $T$  contains all the elements  $v \in W$  with  $w \leq v$  , and  
hence  $T$  is "good". Conversely if  $T$  is "good" then  $w \in T$  implies  
that  $w_i w \in T$  , for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  with  $\ell(w_i w) > \ell(w)$  , and reversing  
the above argument, we have

$$e_{\lambda} A_{(w),F} e_{\mu} A_{(w_i),F} \in M_T \text{ for all } w_i \in \underline{R} .$$

Hence  $M_T$  is an  $FS_{\chi}$ -submodule of  $P_{\lambda}$  .

□



## CHAPTER 6. The p-adic Modules $Y(\chi, J)$

We saw in 4.2.2(i) that if  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  then

$$6.0.1 \quad FY_{\chi} = e_{\chi}^{-}(FY) = \sum_{J \in P(\chi)}^{\oplus} FY(\chi, J),$$

where the FG-modules  $FY(\chi, J)$  are pairwise non-isomorphic indecomposable. Let

$$6.0.2 \quad e_{\chi}^{-} = \sum_{J \in P(\chi)} e(\chi, J)$$

be the orthogonal idempotent decomposition of  $e_{\chi}^{-}$  in  $E(FY_{\chi})$  which corresponds to the decomposition 6.0.1. It follows from 4.1.9. that

$$6.0.3 \quad 1_{E(FY)} = \sum_{\substack{\chi \in \hat{H} \\ J \in P(\chi)}} e(\chi, J)$$

is an orthogonal idempotent decomposition of  $1_{E(FY)}$  in  $E(FY)$ . Since  $E(Y)$  is complete with respect to the  $\pi E(Y)$ -adic topology, we can lift the equations 6.0.2 and 6.0.3 to get orthogonal idempotent decompositions

$$6.0.4 \quad e_{\chi} = \sum_{J \in P(\chi)} e^0(\chi, J),$$

$$6.0.5 \quad 1_{E(Y)} = \sum_{\substack{\chi \in \hat{H} \\ J \in P(\chi)}} e^0(\chi, J)$$

of  $e_{\chi}$  and  $1_{E(Y)}$ , respectively, in  $E(Y)$ . The idempotent  $e^0(\chi, J)$  in  $E(Y)$  is such that

$$6.0.6 \quad \overline{e^0(\chi, J)} = e(\chi, J)$$

for all admissible  $G$ -pairs  $(\chi, J)$  .

Definition We write  $e^0(\chi, J)(Y) = Y(\chi, J)$  .

Since  $e^0(\chi, J)$  is primitive idempotent in  $E(Y)$  , for all admissible  $G$ -pairs  $(\chi, J)$  ,  $\underline{Y(\chi, J)} = e^0(\chi, J)(Y)$  is an indecomposable  $RG$ -lattice. It is clear that  $\underline{Y(\chi, J)} = FY(\chi, J)$  , and that the  $Y(\chi, J)$  are pairwise non-isomorphic  $RG$ -lattices since the  $FY(\chi, J)$  are pairwise non-isomorphic.

It follows from 6.0.4 and 6.0.5 that

$$6.0.7 \quad Y_\chi = e_\chi(Y) = \sum_{J \subseteq P(\chi)}^\oplus Y(\chi, J) , \quad \text{and}$$

$$6.0.8 \quad Y = \sum_{\chi \in \hat{H}}^\oplus e_\chi(Y) = \sum_{\substack{\chi \in \hat{H} \\ J \subseteq P(\chi)}}^\oplus Y(\chi, J) .$$

In this chapter we use the results of N. Tinberg, introduced in §4.2, to calculate the characters of the  $RG$ -lattices  $Y(\chi, J)$  . Similar calculations were done independently by P. Sin [PS].

Replacing  $G$  by  $G_J$  ,  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  , in 6.0.3, we get (see §4.2)

$$1_{E(FY_J)} = \sum_{\substack{\chi \in \hat{H} \\ S \subseteq P_J(\chi)}} e_J(\chi, S) .$$

Therefore we have a decomposition of the  $RG_J$ -lattice  $Y_J$  , similar to 6.0.8; namely

$$Y_J = \sum_{\substack{\chi \in \hat{H} \\ S \subseteq P_J(\chi)}} Y_J(\chi, S) .$$

Since  $Y_J \cong R_U^{G_J}$  , where  $R_U$  is the trivial  $RU$ -lattice, and since

$(R_U^G)^G = R_U^G = Y$ , it follows from 6.0.8 (using Krull-Schmidt theorem) that  $Y_J(\chi, S)^G$ , as a component<sup>(\*)</sup> of  $R_U^G$ , is isomorphic to sum of components, each of the form  $Y(\chi, L)$ , say

$$Y_J(\chi, S)^G \cong \sum_{L \subseteq P(\chi)} m_L Y(\chi, L), \quad (m_L \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}).$$

Since the inducing functor  $\text{Ind}_{G_J}^G$  commutes with the reduction mod  $\pi R$ , we have

$$6.0.9 \quad FY_J(\chi, S)^G \cong \sum_{L \subseteq P(\chi)} m_L FY(\chi, L).$$

Comparing 6.0.9 with 4.2.3 we are able to calculate the  $m_L$ ; this gives

Lemma 6.0.10 Let  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  and let  $(\chi, S)$  be an admissible  $G_J$ -pair.

Then,

$$Y_J(\chi, S)^G \cong \sum_{\substack{L \subseteq P(\chi) \\ S = L \cap J}} Y(\chi, L).$$

□

Putting  $J = P(\chi)$  in 6.0.10 we have

$$6.0.11 \quad Y(\chi, S)^G \cong Y_{P(\chi)}(\chi, S)^G,$$

for every admissible  $G$ -pair  $(\chi, S)$ . Therefore, in order to determine the character of the  $RG$ -lattice  $Y(\chi, S)$ , we only need to calculate the character of  $Y_{P(\chi)}(\chi, S)$ .

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(\*) The components of an  $RG$ -lattice  $M$  are the direct  $RG$ -summands of  $M$ .

Hence we assume that  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$  is such that  $P(\chi) = \underline{R}$ . Using 6.0.10 we have

$$6.0.12 \quad Y_J(\chi, J)^G \cong \sum_{J \subseteq L \subseteq \underline{R}}^{\oplus} Y(\chi, L) \quad \text{for all } J \subseteq \underline{R}.$$

Lemma 6.0.13 For any  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ,  $Y_J(\chi, J)$  is a one-dimensional  $RG_J$ -lattice.

Proof The lemma follows from the fact that  $\overline{Y_J(\chi, J)} = FY_J(\chi, J)$  is one-dimensional  $FG_J$ -module ([NT2], lemma 4.10).  $\square$

The one-dimensional  $FG_J$ -module  $FY_J(\chi, J)$  ( $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ) is generated by an element  $m_J(\chi, J) \in FY_J(\chi, J)$  (see [NT2], proof of 2.10), with the  $G_J$ -action on  $m_J(\chi, J)$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} 6.0.14 \quad & um_J(\chi, J) = m_J(\chi, J) && \text{for all } u \in U, \\ & (w_i)m_J(\chi, J) = m_J(\chi, J) && \text{for all } w_i \in J, \text{ and} \\ & hm_J(\chi, J) = \chi(h)m_J(\chi, J) && \text{for all } h \in H. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\rho_{\chi, J}$  be the one-dimensional character of  $G_J$  afforded by  $FY_J(\chi, J)$ . By 6.0.14  $\rho_{\chi, J}(g) \in (F^\times)_c$  for all  $g \in G_J$ , where  $c$  is the exponent of  $H$  (see 4.1.4). Therefore  $\rho_{\chi, J}$  can be lifted to a  $K$ -character  $\rho_{\chi, J}^0$  of  $G_J$  by means of the map  $\Gamma$  of 4.1.4; i.e.  $\rho_{\chi, J}^0(g) := \Gamma(\rho_{\chi, J}(g))$ , for all  $g \in G_J$ . If  $\theta$  is a  $k$ -character of  $G$  and  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , denote by  $\theta|_{G_J}$  the restriction of  $\theta$  to the parabolic subgroup  $G_J$ .

Lemma 6.0.15 (i) The  $RG_J$ -lattice  $Y(\chi, \underline{R})$  affords the character

$$\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0.$$

$$(ii) \quad \rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0|_{G_J} = \rho_{\chi, J}^0, \quad \text{for all } J \subseteq \underline{R}.$$

Proof (i) Let  $T$  be the  $RG$ -lattice which affords the character  $\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0$ . By 6.0.14,  $\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0|_U = 1_U$ , and so  $T|_U = R_U$ , the trivial  $RU$ -lattice. Since  $U$  is a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $G$ ,  $T$  is  $U$ -projective ([CRI], Cor. 63.8). Hence  $T$  is a component of  $(T|_U)^G = R_U^G \cong Y$ . Therefore  $T \cong Y(\chi', S)$  for some admissible  $G$ -pair  $(\chi', S)$ . But then the  $FG$ -module  $FT = F \otimes_R T$  should afford the character  $\rho_{\chi, R}$  (since  $\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0$  is the lift of  $\rho_{\chi, R}$ ). Hence  $FT = FY(\chi', S) = FY(\chi, \underline{R})$ , and so  $(\chi', S) = (\chi, \underline{R})$  and  $T = Y(\chi, \underline{R})$ .

(ii) Clear from 6.0.14.

For  $L \subseteq \underline{R}$ , let  $\eta_L$  be the character afforded by the  $RG$ -lattice  $Y(\chi, L)$ . By 6.0.12, we have

$$6.0.16 \quad \rho_{\chi, J}^0{}^G = \sum_{J \subseteq L \subseteq \underline{R}} \eta_L \quad \text{for all } J \subseteq \underline{R}.$$

Let  $\lambda = (\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0)^{-1} : G \rightarrow K^\times$ . Since  $\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0|_{G_J} = \rho_{\chi, J}^0$  (6.0.15(ii)), we have  $\lambda|_{G_J} \rho_{\chi, J}^0 = 1_{G_J}$ , and so, by Frobenius reciprocity, we have

$$6.0.17 \quad 1_{G_J}^G = (\lambda|_{G_J} \rho_{\chi, J}^0)^G = \lambda \rho_{\chi, J}^0{}^G.$$

From the equations 6.0.16 and 6.0.17, we have

$$6.0.18 \quad 1_{G_J}^G = \sum_{J \subseteq L \subseteq \underline{R}} \eta_{1, L} \quad \text{for all } J \subseteq \underline{R},$$

where  $\eta_{1, L} = \lambda \eta_L$ . Solving equation 6.0.18 for  $\eta_{1, J}$  ([NB], Exercise 25,

p.44-45), we get

$$6.0.19 \quad \eta_{1,J} = \sum_{J \subseteq L \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|L \setminus J|} 1_{G_L}^G.$$

Therefore we have

Proposition 6.0.20 Suppose  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)$  is such that  $P(\chi) = \underline{R}$  and let  $\eta_J$ ,  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , be the character afforded by the  $RG$ -lattice  $Y(\chi, J)$ . Then

$$\eta_J = \rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0 \left( \sum_{J \subseteq L \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|L \setminus J|} 1_{G_L}^G \right).$$

Proof Clear from 6.0.19, since  $\eta_{1,J} = \lambda \eta_J$  and  $\lambda = (\rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0)^{-1}$ .

□

In particular, if  $\phi$  denotes the empty subset of  $\underline{R}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_\phi &= \rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0 \left( \sum_{L \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|L|} 1_{G_L}^G \right) \\ &= \rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0 \cdot \text{St}_G \quad (\text{see 3.2.4}), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\eta_{\underline{R}} = \rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0 \cdot 1_G = \rho_{\chi, \underline{R}}^0.$$

CHAPTER 7. The Decomposition Numbers Of The System  $(E(KY_{\underline{\chi}}), E(Y_{\underline{\chi}}), E(FY_{\underline{\chi}}))$ .

Let  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$  and let  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ . Consider the  $R$ -algebra  $E(Y_{\chi,J}) = \text{End}_{RG_J}(Y_{\chi,J})$ , where  $Y_{\chi,J} = e^J(Y_J)$ , and  $e^J_{\chi} = \frac{1}{|H|} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1}) A_h^J$ . Since  $e^J_{\chi}$  is an idempotent in  $E(Y_J)$ ,  $Y_{\chi,J}$  is a direct  $RG_J$ -summand of  $Y_J$ . Since  $Y_J$  is  $p$ -endostable  $RG_J$ -lattice, it follows (see [G2], Lemma 2.4) that  $Y_{\chi,J}$  is also a  $p$ -endostable  $RG_J$ -lattice. Therefore if  $k \in \{K, F\}$  then  $k \otimes_R E(Y_{\chi,J}) \cong E(kY_{\chi,J})$ , and so we may regard  $E(Y_{\chi,J})$  as an  $R$ -order in  $E(KY_{\chi,J})$ . Let  $E_{\chi,J} := e^J_{\chi} E(Y_J) e^J_{\chi}$ ,  $KE_{\chi,J} := e^J_{\chi} E(KY_J) e^J_{\chi}$ , and  $FE_{\chi,J} = e^J_{\chi} E(FY_J) e^J_{\chi}$  (note that if  $k \in \{K, F\}$  then  $kE_{\chi,J} \cong E(kY_{\chi,J})$ ). If  $J = \underline{R}$ , we write  $Y_{\chi,\underline{R}} = Y_{\chi}$ ,  $E_{\chi,\underline{R}} = E_{\chi}$  and if  $k \in \{K, F\}$ , we write  $kY_{\chi,\underline{R}} = kY_{\chi}$  and  $kE_{\chi,\underline{R}} = kE_{\chi}$ . We saw in §4.2 that if  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$ , then

$$FY_{\chi} = \sum_{S \subseteq P(\chi)}^{\oplus} FY(\chi, S),$$

where  $FY(\chi, S)$  are mutually non-isomorphic indecomposable  $FG$ -modules. Consequently the simple modules for the  $F$ -algebra  $FE_{\chi}$  (which is isomorphic to  $E(FY_{\chi})$ ) are all one-dimensional indexed by the set  $\{(\chi, S) \mid S \subseteq P(\chi)\}$  (see [CRII], Prop. (6.3), p.120). We denote by  $S(\chi, S)$  the one-dimensional right  $FE_{\chi}$ -module which corresponds to the pair  $(\chi, S)$ .

In Chapter 7 we consider the decomposition numbers of the system  $(KE_{\chi}, E_{\chi}, FE_{\chi})$  using a recent theorem of Green ([G2], Thm. 4.2), which

relates the decomposition numbers of the system  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$  to the multiplicities of the simple components of  $KY_X$ . The next section will contain a parametrization of the simple KG-components of  $KY_X$ .

### §7.1 The irreducible characters of G

Let  $G = (G, B, N, R, U)$  be a finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$ .

The Levi decomposition ([RC], §2.6) For each  $J \subseteq R$ , let  $w_J$  denote the unique element of  $W_J$  of maximal length. Let  $U_J = U \cap U^{(w_J)}$  and  $L_J = \langle H, X_\alpha; \alpha \in \Phi_J \rangle$ .  $U_J$  is a normal  $p$ -subgroup of the standard parabolic subgroup  $G_J$  and  $G_J$  has a decomposition  $G_J = L_J U_J$  as a semidirect product of  $L_J$  and  $U_J$ . Moreover  $B_J = H U_{w_J}^-$  and  $N_J$  form a split BN-pair of  $L_J$  of rank  $|J|$ , where  $N_J$  is the inverse image of  $W_J$  under  $t$ . The above decomposition of  $G_J$  is called the Levi decomposition and  $L_J$  is called Levi subgroup of  $G_J$ .

Let  $\text{ch}_K G_J$  denote the set of all characters of  $G_J$  over  $K$ . Since  $L_J \cong G_J/U_J$ , each character  $\theta$  of  $L_J$ , over  $K$ , gives a character  $\theta_{G_J} \in \text{ch}_K G_J$  having  $U_J$  in its kernel, in fact  $\theta_{G_J}$  is given by

$$\theta_{G_J}(\ell u) := \theta(\ell), \text{ for all } u \in U_J, \ell \in L_J.$$

For  $\theta \in \text{ch}_K G_J$ ,  $J \subseteq R$ , let  $\theta_{G_J}^G$  be the induced character  $\text{Ind}_{G_J}^G \theta_{G_J}$  of  $\theta_{G_J}$ .



Definitions (See [RC], §9.1)

- (i)  $\chi \in \text{ch}_K G$  is called cuspidal if for all  $J \subsetneq \underline{R}$  and all  $\theta \in \text{ch}_K L_J$   $\langle \chi, \theta_{G_J}^G \rangle_G = 0$ , i.e.  $\chi$  does not appear as a component of  $\theta_{G_J}^G$ .
- (ii) If  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are subsets of  $\underline{R}$ , we say that  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are associated if  $w(\pi_{J_1}) = \pi_{J_2}$  for some  $w \in W$ .
- (iii) For each  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  let  $\Omega_J = \{w \in W \mid w(\pi_J) = \pi_J\}$ .

It follows (see for example [RC], Prop. 9.2.2) that if  $w \in \Omega_J$  then  ${}^{(w)}L_J = L_J$ . Therefore the group  $\Omega_J$  acts on the set  $\text{ch}_K L_J$  as follows: if  $\chi \in \text{ch}_K L_J$  and  $w \in \Omega_J$  then  $w\chi \in \text{ch}_K L_J$  is given by

$$w\chi(\ell) := \chi(\ell^{(w)}) \quad \text{for all } \ell \in L_J.$$

The Harish-Chandra theory for dividing the irreducible characters of  $G$  into classes suggests that one can find every irreducible character  $\theta$  of  $G$  as a component of  $\chi_{G_J}^G$ , for some  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  and some cuspidal character  $\chi \in \text{ch}_K(L_J)$ .

The following summarizes Harish-Chandra theory.

Theorem 7.1.1 ([RC], Theorem 9.2.3)

- (i) Each irreducible character  $\theta$  of  $G$  appears as a component of  $\chi_{G_J}^G$  for some cuspidal character  $\chi$  of some Levi subgroup  $L_J$  of  $G$ .

- (ii) Take one  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  for each class of associated subsets of  $\underline{R}$  and one cuspidal character  $\chi$  of  $L_J$  in each  $\Omega_J$ -orbit of cuspidal characters. If we take all irreducible components of  $x_{G_J}^G$ , then we get each irreducible character of  $G$  just once.  $\square$

In [HL], Howlett and Lehrer have given a method of parametrizing the irreducible components of  $x_{G_J}^G$ , where  $\chi$  is an irreducible character of  $L_J$ , by studying the endomorphism algebra of a  $KG$ -module affording  $x_{G_J}^G$ . The  $K$ -basis elements of this endomorphism algebra are indexed by the subgroup  $W_{\chi,J} := \{w \in \Omega_J \mid w\chi = \chi\}$  of  $W$ . Using some specializations of a certain generic Hecke algebra, Howlett and Lehrer showed that the irreducible characters of  $G$  which appear in  $x_{G_J}^G$  are in 1-1 correspondence with the irreducible characters of the group algebra  $(KW_{\chi,J})_\mu$  twisted by some cocycle  $\mu$  (see [HL], Corollary 5.5).

However, for our purpose we will take  $J = \phi$ , the empty subset of  $\underline{R}$ , hence  $L_J = L_\phi = H$ , and  $G_\phi = B$ , the standard Borel subgroup of  $G$ . It is clear that all irreducible characters of  $H$  are cuspidal. If  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , then  $x_B^G$  is the character of  $G$  afforded by the  $KG$ -module  $KY_\chi (= e_\chi(KY))$ . Recall that the  $K$ -algebra  $KE_\chi = e_\chi E(KY)e_\chi$  is isomorphic to  $E(KY_\chi)$  and has  $K$ -basis  $\{e_\chi A_{(w),K}, w \in W_\chi\}$ , where  $W_\chi = W_{\chi,\phi} = \{w \in W \mid w\chi = \chi\}$  (note that  $\Omega_\phi = W$ ).

Remark 7.1.2 The group  $W_{\chi,J}$  is not, in general, a reflection subgroup of  $W$ . However, the theory of Howlett and Lehrer [LH] shows that  $W_{\chi,J}$  has a decomposition  $W_{\chi,J} = M_{\chi,J} M'_{\chi,J}$  as a semidirect product, where  $M_{\chi,J}$  is a reflection normal subgroup of  $W_{\chi,J}$ .

## §7.2 The Decomposition Numbers As Multiplicities Of Ordinary Characters

For  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , let  $I$  be an index set for the complete set of irreducible characters of the twisted group algebra  $(KW_\chi)_\mu$ . Then, by Howlett-Lehrer theory,  $I$  is also an index set for the set  $\{\theta_i, i \in I\}$  of irreducible characters of  $G$  which appear in  $\chi_B^G$ .

For each  $i \in I$ , let  $X_i$  be an  $RG$ -lattice such that  $KX_i$  is a  $KG$ -module which affords the character  $\theta_i$ . Then  $KX_i$  is a simple component of  $KY_\chi$ , for all  $i \in I$ . The  $K$ -space  $(KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}$ ,  $i \in I$ , has a natural structure of a right  $E(KY_\chi)$ -module, hence a right  $KE_\chi$ -module (since  $KE_\chi \cong E(KY_\chi)$ ). In fact  $(KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}$  is a simple  $KE_\chi$ -module (see [CRII], Prop. 6.3, p.120), for all  $i \in I$ , and the set

$$\{(KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}, i \in I\}$$

is a complete set of simple right  $KE_\chi$ -modules. For each  $i \in I$ ,  $X_i$  is an  $R$ -form of the  $KG$ -module  $KX_i$ .

Consider the  $R$ -lattice  $(Y_\chi, X_i)_{RG}$ ,  $i \in I$ .  $(Y_\chi, X_i)_{RG}$  is a right  $E(Y_\chi)$ -lattice, hence it is a right  $E_\chi$ -lattice. We identify  $X_i$  with an  $R$ -submodule of  $KX_i$  by identifying  $x \in X_i$  with  $1_K \otimes x \in KX_i$ . Similarly  $Y_\chi$  can be identified with an  $R$ -submodule of  $KY_\chi$ . Consequently the  $R$ -lattice  $(Y_\chi, X_i)_{RG}$  can be regarded as a subset of  $(KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}$  by identifying  $f \in (Y_\chi, X_i)_{RG}$  with the unique  $K$ -map  $f' \in (KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}$  which coincide with  $f$  on  $Y_\chi$ . Since  $K \otimes_R (Y_\chi, X_i)_{RG} \cong (KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}$ , we may then regard the right  $E_\chi$ -lattice  $(Y_\chi, X_i)_{RG}$  as an  $R$ -form of the right  $KE_\chi$ -module  $(KY_\chi, KX_i)_{KG}$ .

If  $f \in (Y_X, X_i)_{RG}$ , let  $\bar{f} = 1_F \otimes_R f$ , and let

$$\overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}} = F \otimes_R (Y_X, X_i)_{RG} = \{\bar{f}, f \in (Y_X, X_i)_{RG}\}.$$

(Note that in general  $\overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}} \neq (FY_X, FX_i)_{FG}$ , since we are not assuming that the pair  $Y_X, X_i$  is  $p$ -stable.) It is clear that if  $f \in (Y_X, X_i)_{RG}$  and  $g \in E(Y_X)$ , then  $\overline{fg} = \bar{f} \bar{g}$ , therefore  $\overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}}$  is a right  $E(FY_X)$ -module (since  $F \otimes_R E(Y_X) \cong E(FY_X)$ ). Hence  $\overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}}$  is a right  $FE_X$ -module, which is a  $p$ -modular version of the simple right  $KE_X$ -module  $(KY_X, KX_i)_{KG}$ .

Definition (R. Brauer, see [CRII], p.413) For every  $S \in P(\chi)$ , and all  $i \in I$ , let  $d_{i,(\chi,S)}$  denote the multiplicity with which the simple right  $FE_X$ -module  $S(\chi, S)$  appears as a composition factor of  $\overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}}$ . The numbers  $d_{i,(\chi,S)}$  are called the  $p$ -decomposition numbers of the system  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$ .

Let  $S \in P(\chi)$  and let  $P(\chi, S)$  be a projective cover of  $S(\chi, S)$ . We may take  $P(\chi, S) = e(\chi, S)FE_X$ , where  $e(\chi, S)$  is the primitive idempotent given in 6.0.2. Then, for all  $i \in I$ , we have (see [CRII], Exercise 10(a), p.71)

$$\begin{aligned} 7.2.2 \quad d_{i,(\chi,S)} &= \dim_F (P(\chi, S), \overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}})_{FG} \\ &= \dim_F \overline{(Y_X, X_i)_{RG}} e(\chi, S). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, let  $e^0(\chi, S)$  be the lift of  $e(\chi, S)$  in  $E_X$ .  $e^0(\chi, S)$  can be regarded as an idempotent in  $KE_X$ .

Since  $e^0(\chi, S)(Y_\chi) = Y(\chi, S)$  by definition, we have  $e^0(\chi, S)(KY_\chi) = KY(\chi, S)$ , and since  $KY(\chi, S)$  is a KG-submodule of  $KY_\chi$ , we then have

$$KY(\chi, S) = \sum_{i \in I}^{\oplus} d_{i,(\chi, S)}^* KX_i, \quad d_{i,(\chi, S)}^* \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}.$$

A more general setting of the following theorem was given by Green [G2].

Theorem 7.2.3 (Green [G2] Theorem 4.2) If  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , then

$$d_{i,(\chi, S)} = d_{i,(\chi, S)}^*$$

for all  $i \in I$  and all  $S \subseteq P(\chi)$ .

□

Remark The above theorem provides a formula for the multiplicities of the simple components of  $KY_\chi$ ,  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , provided one knows the decomposition matrix of the system  $(KE_\chi, E_\chi, FE_\chi)$ . In fact if

$$D_\chi := i \begin{pmatrix} (\chi, S) \\ \vdots \\ \dots \dots d_{i,(\chi, S)} \end{pmatrix}; \quad i \in I \text{ and } S \subseteq P(\chi)$$

is the decomposition matrix of the system  $(KE_\chi, E_\chi, FE_\chi)$ , then by

$$\begin{aligned} 7.2.3, \quad [KX_i \mid KY_\chi] &= [KX_i \mid \sum_{S \subseteq P(\chi)}^{\oplus} KY(\chi, S)] \\ &= \sum_{S \subseteq P(\chi)} d_{i,(\chi, S)} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $i \in I$ , where  $[KX_i | KY_X]$  denotes the multiplicity of  $KX_i$  as a component of  $KY_X$ .

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Now let  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  be such that  $W_X \leq W_J$ . Let  $\xi = x_B^{G_J}$  and let  $\langle, \rangle_G$  denote the usual scalar product on  $\text{ch}_K G$  (see for example [CRII], p.210).

Lemma 7.2.4  $\langle \xi^G, \xi^G \rangle_G = \langle \xi, \xi \rangle_{G_J}$ .

Proof By Frobenius reciprocity formula and Mackey decomposition (see [CRII], p.237), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \xi^G, \xi^G \rangle_G &= \langle (x_B^{G_J})^G, (x_B^{G_J})^G \rangle_G \\ &= \langle x_B^G, x_B^G \rangle \\ &= \sum_{w \in W} \langle wX, X \rangle_{W_{B \cap B}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $H \leq W_B \cap B$ , for all  $w \in W$ ,  $\langle wX, X \rangle_{W_{B \cap B}} = 0$  unless  $wX = X$ ; i.e. unless  $w \in W_X$ . But since  $W_X \leq W_J$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \xi^G, \xi^G \rangle_G &= \sum_{w \in W_X} \langle wX, X \rangle_{W_{B \cap B}} \\ &= \sum_{w \in W_J} \langle wX, X \rangle_{W_{B \cap B}} \\ &= \langle x_B^{G_J}, x_B^{G_J} \rangle_{G_J} = \langle \xi, \xi \rangle_{G_J}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Suppose that  $\xi = \sum_i m_i \xi_i$ , where  $m_i \in \mathbb{Z}_0$ , and  $\xi_i$  is an irreducible character of  $G_j$  for all  $i$ , with  $\xi_i = \xi_j$  only if  $i = j$ , then we have

Corollary 7.2.5  $\xi_i^G$  is irreducible character of  $G$  for all  $i$  and  $\xi_i^G = \xi_j^G$  only if  $i = j$ .

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \xi^G, \xi^G \rangle_G &= \sum_{i,j} m_i m_j \langle \xi_i^G, \xi_j^G \rangle_G \\ &= \sum_i m_i^2 \langle \xi_i^G, \xi_i^G \rangle_G + \sum_{i \neq j} m_i m_j \langle \xi_i^G, \xi_j^G \rangle_G. \end{aligned}$$

But by 7.2.4

$$\langle \xi^G, \xi^G \rangle_G = \langle \xi, \xi \rangle_{G_j} = \sum_i m_i^2.$$

Therefore we must have,

$$\langle \xi_i^G, \xi_i^G \rangle_G = 1 \quad \text{for all } i, \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \xi_i^G, \xi_j^G \rangle_G = 0$$

if  $i \neq j$ . It follows from the orthogonality relations (see [CRII], 9.23) that  $\xi_i^G$  is irreducible for all  $i$ , and that  $\xi_i^G \neq \xi_j^G$  if  $i \neq j$ .  $\square$

It follows from 7.2.4 and 7.2.5 that the map  $\xi_i \rightarrow \xi_i^G$  gives a 1-1 correspondence between the set of irreducible characters of  $G_j$  which appear in  $\chi_B^{G_j}$  and the set of irreducible characters of  $G$  which appear in  $\chi_B^G$ . Moreover, the corresponding characters under this correspondence appear with the same multiplicity. So we may assume that, for every  $i \in I$ ,

$\xi_i^G = \theta_i$  and hence we have

$$x_B^{G_J} = \sum_{i \in I} m_i \xi_i \quad , \quad m_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0} \quad , \quad \text{and}$$

$$x_B^G = \xi^G = \sum_{i \in I} m_i \xi_i^G = \sum_{i \in I} m_i \theta_i \quad .$$

Recall that the  $KG_J$ -module  $KY_{X,J} = e_X^J(Y_J) = KG_J[U]_{\beta_X}$  affords the character  $x_B^{G_J}$ . For every  $i \in I$ , let  $X_{i,J}$  be an  $RG_J$ -lattice such that  $KX_{i,J}$  is a simple  $KG_J$ -module which affords the character  $\xi_i$ . Since  $\xi_i^G = \theta_i$  ( $i \in I$ ) and since  $\theta_i$  is afforded by the  $KG$ -module  $KX_i$ , it follows that  $KX_{i,J}^G \cong KX_i$ , for all  $i \in I$ .

We would like to compare the decomposition numbers of the two systems  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$  and  $(KE_{X,J}, E_{X,J}, FE_{X,J})$ , where  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  with  $W_X \leq W_J$ . Let  $D_X$ ,  $D_{X,J}$  be the decomposition numbers of the systems  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$ ,  $(KE_{X,J}, E_{X,J}, FE_{X,J})$ , respectively. Since the number of irreducible characters of  $G$  which appear as components of  $x_B^G$  is equal to the number of irreducible characters of  $G_J$  which appear as components of  $x_B^{G_J}$ ,  $D_X$  and  $D_{X,J}$  have the same number of rows, namely  $|I|$ . Moreover, since  $W_{P(X)} \leq W_X$  (see 4.2.1), it follows that  $P(X) \subseteq J$ , and so the simple  $FE_X$ - and  $FE_{X,J}$ -modules are indexed by all subsets of  $P(X)$ . Therefore  $D_X$  and  $D_{X,J}$  have the same number of columns, namely  $2^{|P(X)|}$ . Hence the decomposition matrices  $D_X$  and  $D_{X,J}$  have the same size.

Recall that the  $R$ -order  $E_{X,J}$  has  $R$ -basis  $\{e_{X(w)}^{J,J}, w \in W_X\}$ . The map  $e_{X(w)}^{J,J} \rightarrow e_{X(w)}^A$ ,  $w \in W_X$ , defines an injective  $R$ -algebra map



$a : E_{X,J} \rightarrow E_X$  (see [NT2], p.511). But since

$\text{rank}_R E_{X,J} = \text{rank}_R E_X = |W_X|$ , it follows that  $a$  is an  $R$ -isomorphism.

Hence we have:

Lemma 7.2.6 If  $X \in \tilde{H}$ , and  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  is such that  $W_X \leq W_J$ , then the  $R$ -orders  $E_{X,J}$  and  $E_X$  are isomorphic.  $\square$

Since  $W_X \leq W_J$  and  $W_{P(X)} \leq W_X$  (see 4.2.1), it follows that  $P(X) \subseteq J$ . Hence, from 6.0.7, we have

$$7.2.7 \quad Y_X = \sum_{S \subseteq P(X)}^{\oplus} Y(X, S), \quad \text{and}$$

$$7.2.8 \quad Y_{X,J} = \sum_{S \subseteq P(X)}^{\oplus} Y_J(X, S).$$

By 6.0.10, we also have  $Y_J(X, S)^G \cong Y(X, S)$ , for all  $S \subseteq P(X)$ .

Let

$$7.2.9 \quad e_X = \sum_{S \subseteq P(X)} e^0(X, S), \quad \text{and}$$

$$7.2.10 \quad e_X^J = \sum_{S \subseteq P(X)} e_J^0(X, S)$$

be the orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition of  $e_X$  and  $e_X^J$  in  $E_X$  and  $E_{X,J}$ , respectively, which correspond to the decompositions 7.2.7 and 7.2.8. Since  $a(e_X^J) = e_X$ , we may arrange the decompositions 7.2.9 and 7.2.10 so that  $a(e_J^0(X, S)) = e^0(X, S)$  for all  $S \subseteq P(X)$ . Since  $e_J^0(X, S)$  is an  $R$ -combination of the elements  $\{e_X^J A(w)^J, w \in W_X\}$ , and since  $e_X^J A(w)^J([U]\beta_X) = \beta_X [U(w)U] = e_X A(w)([U]\beta_X)$ , for all  $w \in W_X$ , it follows that

$$e_J^0(x, S) ([U]_{\beta_x}) = e^0(x, S) ([U]_{\beta_x}) \quad \text{for all } S \subseteq P(x) .$$

Therefore for every  $S \subseteq P(x)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} KY(x, S) &= e^0(x, S) (KY_x) \\ &= e^0(x, S) (KG[U]_{\beta_x}) \\ &= KG e^0(x, S) ([U]_{\beta_x}) \\ &= KG e_J^0(x, S) ([U]_{\beta_x}) \\ &\cong KY_J(x, S)^G \quad (\text{see [CRII], Prop. 11.21}). \end{aligned}$$

For  $i \in I$ , let  $d_{i, (x, S)}^{J, *}$  denote the multiplicity of  $KX_{i, J}$  as a composition factor of  $KY_J(x, S)$ .

Lemma 7.2.11 Let  $x$  and  $J$  be as in 7.2.6. Then

$$d_{i, (x, S)}^{J, *} = d_{i, (x, S)}^* \quad \text{for all } S \subseteq P(x) .$$

Proof 
$$\begin{aligned} d_{i, (x, S)}^{J, *} &= [KX_i \mid KY(x, S)] \\ &= [KX_{i, J}^G \mid KY_J(x, S)^G] \\ &= [KX_{i, J} \mid KY_J(x, S)] \\ &= d_{i, (x, S)}^{J, *} . \end{aligned}$$

□

Since  $D_x$  and  $D_{x, J}$  are of the same size, it follows from 7.2.3 and 7.2.11 that, under a suitable arrangement, the matrices:

$$D_x = i \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \dots d_{i, (x, S)}^* \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad D_{x, J} = i \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ \dots d_{i, (x, S)}^{J, *} \end{pmatrix}$$

are identical. Therefore we may replace the group  $G$  in theorem 7.2.3 by  $G_J$  where  $J$  is any subset of  $\underline{R}$  with  $W_X \leq W_J$ .

Now let  $J$  be any subset of  $\underline{R}$ . Recall that  $L_J = \langle B_J, N_J \rangle$ , where  $B_J = U_{W_J}^- H$ , and  $U_{W_J}^- \trianglelefteq B_J$ . Therefore any  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  can be extended to a character  $\chi_{B_J}$  of  $B_J$ .

For  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , let  $Y_X^J := RL_J[U_{W_J}^-] \beta_X$ ,  $KY_X^J := KL_J[U_{W_J}^-] \beta_X$  and  $FY_X^J := FL_J[U_{W_J}^-] \beta_X$ . If  $X \in \text{mod}^0 RL_J$ , let  $X_{G_J}$  denote  $X$  regarded as an  $RG_J$ -lattice by letting  $U_J$  acting trivially on  $X$ .

Proposition 7.2.12 For all  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  and all  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  we have:

$$(Y_X^J)_{G_J} \cong Y_{X,J} \text{ as } RG_J\text{-lattices.}$$

Proof We have  $G_J = L_J U_J$  and  $L_J \leq B \leq G_J$ . Hence  $G_J = L_J B$ , and so any left coset of  $B$  in  $G_J$  has the form  $\ell B$  for some  $\ell \in L_J$ . If  $\ell_1, \ell_2 \in L_J$  then  $\ell_1 B = \ell_2 B \iff \ell_2^{-1} \ell_1 \in B \cap L_J = B_J \iff \ell_1 B_J = \ell_2 B_J$ . Therefore there is a bijection between the left  $B$ -cosets of  $G_J$  and the left  $B_J$ -cosets of  $L_J$ . In particular  $\text{rank}_R Y_{X,J} = |G_J : B| = |L_J : B_J| = \text{rank}_R Y_X^J$ . Let  $\zeta : Y_{X,J} \rightarrow Y_X^J$  be the bijective  $R$ -map which sends  $\ell[U] \beta_X$  to  $\ell[U_{W_J}^-] \beta_X$  ( $\ell \in L_J$ ). If  $u \in U_J$ , and  $\ell \in L_J$  then

$$\begin{aligned} u \ell[U] \beta_X &= \ell \ell^{-1} u \ell[U] \beta_X \\ &= \ell \ell^{-1} u \ell \beta_X [U] \\ &= \chi(\ell^{-1} u \ell) \ell[U] \beta_X && \text{since } U_J \trianglelefteq G_J \\ &= \ell[U] \beta_X && \text{since } \chi|_{U_J} = 1_{U_J}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $U_J$  acts trivially on  $Y_{X,J}$ . Consequently the map  $\zeta : Y_{X,J} \rightarrow (Y_X^J)_{G_J}$  is an  $RG_J$ -map, for if  $g = \ell'u \in G_J$  ( $\ell' \in L_J, u \in U_J$ ), then

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta(g\ell[U]\beta_X) &= \zeta(\ell'u\ell[U]\beta_X) \\ &= \zeta(\ell'\ell[U]\beta_X) \\ &= \ell'\ell[U_{W_J}^-]\beta_X \\ &= \ell'\zeta(\ell[U]\beta_X) \\ &= \ell'u\zeta(\ell[U]\beta_X) \\ &= g\zeta(\ell[U]\beta_X) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $\ell \in L_J$ . Hence  $Y_{X,J} \cong (Y_X^J)_{G_J}$  as  $RG_J$ -lattices.  $\square$

The  $R$ -lattices  $E(Y_J)$  and  $E(Y^J)$  (where  $Y_J = RG_J[U]$  and  $Y^J = RL_J[U_{W_J}^-]$ ,  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ) have  $R$ -bases indexed by the elements of  $N_J$ .

In fact  $E(Y_J) = \sum_{n \in N_J}^{\oplus} R \cdot A_n^J$  and  $E(Y^J) = \sum_{n \in N_J}^{\oplus} R \cdot A_n'^J$ , where  $A_n^J$

and  $A_n'^J$  ( $n \in N_J$ ) are given by

$$A_n^J([U]) := [UnU] \quad \text{and} \quad A_n'^J([U_{W_J}^-]) := [U_{W_J}^- n U_{W_J}^-] .$$

Let  $x \in \hat{H}$  and let  $n \in N_J$  be such that  $t(n) = w \in W_X$ . Then by 4.1.14, the restriction of  $A_n^J$  to  $Y_{X,J}$  induces an element of  $E(Y_{X,J})$ . Similarly, the restriction of  $A_n'^J$  to  $Y_X^J$  induces an element of  $E(Y_X^J)$ . It is clear that the endomorphism algebra

$E(Y_X^J) (= \text{End}_{RL_J}(Y_X^J))$  is identical with  $E((Y_X^J)_{G_J}) (= \text{End}_{RG_J}((Y_X^J)_{G_J}))$ .

Consider the diagram

$$7.2.13 \quad \begin{array}{ccc} Y_{X,J} & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & (Y_X^J)_{G_J} \\ A_n^J \downarrow & & \downarrow A_n^J \\ Y_{X,J} & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & (Y_X^J)_{G_J} \end{array},$$

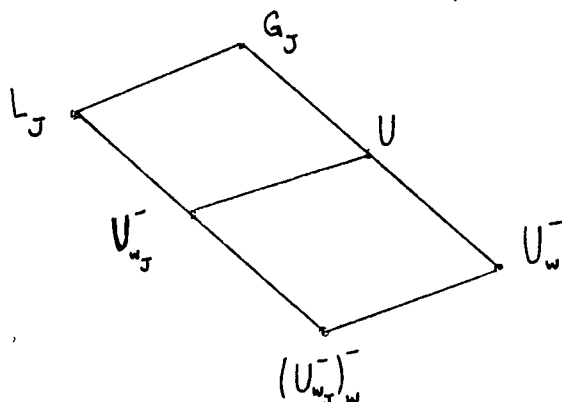
where  $\zeta$  is the  $RG_J$ -map defined in the proof of 7.2.12.

Lemma 7.2.14 The diagram of 7.2.13 is commutative.

Proof Since the maps of the diagram 7.2.13 are all  $RG_J$ -maps, it is enough to show that  $\zeta A_n^J([U]\beta_X) = A_n^J \zeta([U]\beta_X)$  or equivalently

$$\zeta([U]nU]\beta_X) (= \zeta([U]_{W_J}^- n[U]\beta_X) = [U]_{W_J}^- n[U]_{W_J}^- ]\beta_X.$$

The last statement will follow if we prove that  $U_W^- \cap U_{W_J}^- = (U_{W_J}^-)_W^-$ .



We have  $U_W^- \cap U_{W_J}^- = U \cap (U^-)^W \cap (U^-)^{W_J}$ , and  $(U_{W_J}^-)_W^- = U_{W_J}^- \cap (U_{W_J}^-)^{W_J W} = U \cap (U^-)^{W_J} \cap U^{W_J W} \cap (U^-)^W$ . It is clear that  $(U_{W_J}^-)_W^- \leq U_W^- \cap U_{W_J}^-$ .

From 1.2.8(ii), we have

$$U_W^- \cap U_{W_J}^- = \langle X_\alpha \mid \alpha \in \Phi_J^+, w(\alpha) < 0 \rangle$$

(note that  $w_J(\alpha) < 0$ , for all  $\alpha \in \Phi_J^+$ ).

If  $X_\alpha \leq U_W^- \cap U_{W_J}^-$  ( $\alpha \in \Phi_J$ ) then  $X_\alpha \leq U_{W_J}^-$  and  $w(\alpha) < 0$  and hence,

by 1.2.8(ii) again,  $X_\alpha \leq (U_{W_J}^-)_W^-$ . Hence  $(U_{W_J}^-)_W^- = U_W^- \cap U_{W_J}^-$ .

This completes the proof of lemma 7.2.14.  $\square$

The R-order  $E(Y_{X,J})$  is isomorphic to  $E_{X,J} = e_X^J E(Y_J) e_X^J$  which has R-basis  $\{e_X^J A_{(w)}^J, w \in W_X \cap W_J\}$  (see the proof of 5.0.7).

Similarly  $E(Y_X^J)$  is isomorphic to  $e_X'^J E(Y^J) e_X'^J$  (where  $e_X'^J = |H|^{-1} \sum_X (h^{-1}) A_h^J$ ) which has R-basis  $\{e_X'^J A_{(w)}^J, w \in W_X \cap W_J\}$ .

Proposition 7.2.15 The map  $\sigma : e_X^J A_{(w)}^J \mapsto e_X'^J A_{(w)}^J$  ( $w \in W_X \cap W_J$ ) defines an R-algebra isomorphism between  $e_X^J E(Y_J) e_X^J$  and  $e_X'^J E(Y^J) e_X'^J$ . Consequently  $E(Y_{X,J}) \cong E(Y_X^J)$  as R-algebras.

Proof  $\sigma$  is clearly an R-isomorphism. From lemma 7.2.14, we have a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y_{X,J} & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & Y_X^J \\ e_X^J A_{(w)}^J \downarrow & & \downarrow e_X'^J A_{(w)}^J \\ Y_{X,J} & \xrightarrow{\zeta} & Y_X^J \end{array},$$

for all  $w \in W_X \cap W_J$ . Therefore the corresponding elements in the sets  $\{e_X^J A_{(w)}^J, w \in W_X \cap W_J\}$  and  $\{e_X'^J A_{(w)}^J, w \in W_X \cap W_J\}$  under  $\sigma$  satisfy the same multiplication relations. Hence  $\sigma$  is an R-algebra isomorphism.  $\square$

Let  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  and consider the  $KG_J$ -module  $KY_{X,J}$ . By 7.2.12, we have  $KY_{X,J} \cong (KY_X^J)_{G_J}$ . If  $X$  is a simple  $KG_J$ -component of  $KY_{X,J}$  then  $U_J$  acts trivially on  $X$ , and  $X$ , regarded as  $KL_J$ -module, remains simple. Conversely if  $T$  is a simple  $KL_J$ -component of  $KY_X^J$  then  $T_{G_J}$  is also simple. Therefore the simple  $KG_J$ -components of  $KY_{X,J}$  are in 1-1 correspondence with the simple  $KL_J$ -components of  $KY_X^J$ . Moreover, if  $\{KX_{i,J} ; i \in I\}$  is a full set of simple  $KG_J$ -components of  $KY_{X,J}$  and  $\{KX_i^J ; i \in I\}$  is a full set of simple  $KL_J$ -components of  $KY_X^J$ , then, under a suitable arrangement, we will have

$$7.2.16 \quad KX_{i,J} \cong (KX_i^J)_{G_J} ,$$

for all  $i \in I$ . On the other hand if  $W_X \leq W_J$ , by 4.2.1,  $P(X) \subseteq J$  and so the indecomposable  $FG_J$ ,  $FL_J$ -summands of  $FY_{X,J}$ ,  $FY_X^J$ , respectively, are indexed by all subsets of  $P(X)$ . Let

$$FY_{X,J} = \sum_{S \subseteq P(X)}^{\oplus} FY_J(X,S) \quad \text{and}$$

$$FY_X^J = \sum_{L \subseteq P(X)}^{\oplus} FY^J(X,L)$$

be the decomposition of  $FY_{X,J}$ ,  $FY_X^J$  into indecomposable  $FG_J$ ,  $FL_J$ -modules, respectively.

For each  $S \subseteq P(X)$ , let  $\psi_J(X,S)$ ,  $\psi^J(X,S)$  be the one-dimensional  $F$ -character of  $E(FY_{X,J})$ ,  $E(FY_X^J)$ , which correspond to  $FY_J(X,S)$ ,  $FY^J(X,S)$ , respectively. For each  $S \subseteq P(X)$ , we have the following commutative diagram:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 E(Y_{X,J}) & \xrightarrow{\sigma} & E(Y_X^J) \\
 \downarrow & & \downarrow \\
 E(FY_{X,J}) & \xrightarrow{\text{Id}_F \otimes \sigma} & E(FY_X^J) \\
 \searrow \psi_J(x,S) & & \swarrow \psi^J(x,S) \\
 & F &
 \end{array}$$

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where  $\sigma$  is the  $R$ -algebra isomorphism defined in 7.2.15. Therefore, if  $e_J(x,S)$  is a primitive idempotent of  $E(FY_{X,J})$  corresponding to  $\psi_J(x,S)$ , then  $\text{Id}_F \otimes \sigma(e_J(x,S))$  is a primitive idempotent of  $E(FY_X^J)$  corresponding to  $\psi^J(x,S)$ . Hence, the map  $\text{Id}_F \otimes \tau : FY_{X,J} \rightarrow FY_X^J$  maps  $FY_J(x,S) := e_J(x,S)(FY_{X,J})$  onto  $(\text{Id}_F \otimes \sigma)(e_J(x,S))(FY_X^J) = FY_X^J(x,S)$ , and so

$$FY_J(x,S) \cong (FY_X^J(x,S))_{G_J}.$$

Let  $e_J^0(x,S)$  be the lift in  $E(Y_{X,J})$  of the primitive idempotent  $e_J(x,S)$  and define  $Y_J(x,S) := e_J^0(x,S)(Y_{X,J})$ .  $e_J^0(x,S)$  is a primitive and so  $Y_J(x,S)$  is an indecomposable  $RG_J$ -lattice. Let  ${}^J e^0(x,S) := \sigma(e_J^0(x,S))$  and define  $Y^J(x,S) := {}^J e^0(x,S)(Y_X^J)$ . It follows that  $\tau$  maps  $Y_J(x,S)$  onto  $Y^J(x,S)$  and so we have

$$7.2.18 \quad Y_J(x,S) \cong (Y^J(x,S))_{G_J}.$$

It follows that, if  $KX_{i,J}$  ( $i \in I$ ) is a simple  $KG_J$ -component of  $KY_{X,J}$ , then for every  $S \subseteq P(x)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 7.2.19 \quad d_{i,(x,S)}^{J,*} &= [KX_{i,J} \mid KY_J(x,S)] \\
 &= [(KX_i^J)_{G_J} \mid (KY_X^J(x,S))_{G_J}] \text{ by 7.2.16 and 7.2.18} \\
 &= [KX_i^J \mid KY_X^J(x,S)].
 \end{aligned}$$



Let  $D_X^J$  be the decomposition matrix of the system  $(E(KY_X^J), E(Y_X^J), E(FY_X^J))$ . It follows from 7.2.18 and 7.2.19 that, under a suitable arrangement, the decomposition matrices  $D_{X,J}$  and  $D_X^J$  are identical. Comparing this with 7.2.11 and summarizing, we have the following.

Theorem 7.2.20 Let  $G = (G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  be a finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$  and rank  $\ell$ . Suppose that  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  and let  $J$  be any subset of  $\underline{R}$  such that  $W_X \leq W_J$ . Then, the decomposition matrix  $D_X$  of the system  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$  is identical with the decomposition matrix  $D_X^J$  of the system  $(E(KY_X^J), E(Y_X^J), E(FY_X^J))$  where  $Y_X^J = RL_J[U_{W_J}^-]\beta_X$  and  $L_J$  is the Levi subgroup of  $G_J$ .  $\square$

Now suppose that  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  with  $W_X = W_J$  for some  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ . Then the  $K$ -algebra  $KE_{X,J}$  (which is isomorphic to  $KE_X$ , by 7.2.6) has  $K$ -basis  $\{e_{X(w),K}^{JA^J}, w \in W_J\}$  with multiplication relations

$$e_{X(w),K}^{JA^J} e_{X(v),K}^{JA^J} = e_{X(v)(w),K}^{JA^J} \quad \text{if } \ell(vw) = \ell(v) + \ell(w),$$

7.2.21 and

$$e_{X(w_i),K}^{JA^J}{}^2 = \chi((w_i)^2) |U_i| e_X^J + \left( \sum_{x \in U_i^*} \chi(h_i(x)) \right) e_{X(w_i),K}^{JA^J}$$

for all  $w, v \in W_J$  and all  $w_i \in J$ . In particular, if  $J = P(\chi)$  then, since  $h_i(x)$  and  $(w_i)^2$  are in  $H_i$  (see 1.2.4), for all  $w_i \in J$ , the relations 7.2.21 become

$$\begin{aligned} 7.2.22 \quad e_{X(w),K}^{JA^J} e_{X(v),K}^{JA^J} &= e_{X(v)(w),K}^{JA^J} & \text{if } \ell(vw) = \ell(v) + \ell(w) \\ e_{X(w_i),K}^{JA^J}{}^2 &= |U_i| e_X^J + (|U_i| - 1) e_{X(w_i),K}^{JA^J} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $w, v \in W_J$  and all  $w_i \in J$ .

Remark Although the case  $W_\chi = W_{P(\chi)}$  ( $\chi \in \hat{H}$ ) is not likely to happen in general (see [HL]), there are some cases in which one can pick a representative  $\lambda$  of the  $W$ -orbit  $(\chi)$  for which this property is valid. However we will see some of these cases in §7.5.

The Case  $\chi = 1$  :

Now we consider the special case when  $\chi = 1$ . In this case  $Y_1 = RG[B]$  and the  $R$ -order  $E_1 (= e_1 E(Y_1) e_1)$  has  $R$ -basis  $\{A_w := e_1 A_w \mid w \in W\}$ . The basis element  $A_w$  ( $w \in W$ ) can be identified with the endomorphism of  $Y_1$  which takes  $[B] \rightarrow [BwB]$ .

The  $R$ -order  $E_1$  is generated as an  $R$ -algebra by the set  $\{A_{w_i} \mid w_i \in \underline{R}\}$ . The multiplication relations in  $E_1$  can be deduced from 7.2.22 as follows

$$A_w A_v = A_{vw} \quad \text{if } \ell(vw) = \ell(v) + \ell(w), \quad v, w \in W,$$

7.2.23 and

$$A_{w_i}^2 = |U_i| + (|U_i| - 1)A_{w_i}, \quad \text{for all } w_i \in \underline{R}.$$

Consider the decomposition matrix  $D_1$  of the system  $(KE_1, E_1, FE_1)$ . Let  $\{\theta_i, i \in I\}$  be the set of irreducible characters of  $G$  which appear in  $1_B^G$ . It follows that the simple  $KE_1$ -modules (and hence the rows of  $D_1$ ) are indexed by the set  $I$  (see [CRII], Theorem 11.25(ii)). Since  $P(1) = \underline{R}$ , the simple  $FE_1$ -modules (hence the columns of  $D_1$ ) are indexed by all subsets  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ .

For  $i \in I$  and  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , let  $d_{i,J}$  be the  $(i, J)$ -entry of  $D_1$ .

By theorem 7.2.3

$$7.2.24 \quad d_{i,J} = \langle \theta_i, \eta_J \rangle_G \quad \text{for all } i \in I, J \subseteq \underline{R},$$

where  $\eta_J$  is the  $K$ -character afforded by the  $KG$ -module  $KY(1,J)$ .

From 6.0.2, we have

$$7.2.25 \quad \eta_J = \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} 1_{G_S}^G \quad \text{for all } J \subseteq \underline{R}.$$

For the rest of this section we will assume that the group  $G = G(q)$  is a member of a system  $L$  of finite groups with BN-pairs according to the following definition.

Definition (Curtis, Iwahori, Kilmoyer [CIK]): Let  $(W, \underline{R})$  be a finite Coxeter system. A system  $L$  of finite groups with BN-pairs of type  $(W, \underline{R})$  consists of the following data:

- (i) An infinite set  $CP$  of prime powers  $\{q\}$  called characteristic powers.
- (ii) For each  $q \in CP$ , there exists a finite group  $G(q) \in L$  with a BN-pair, with Weyl group  $(W, \underline{R})$ .
- (iii) There exists a set of positive integers  $\{c_i\}_{w_i \in \underline{R}}$  such that for each  $q \in CP$ , the index parameters of  $G(q)$  are given by

$$|B(q) : B(q) \cap {}^{w_i}B(q)| = q^{c_i}, \quad \text{for all } w_i \in \underline{R},$$

where  $B(q)$  is a standard Borel subgroup of  $G(q)$ .

Examples: (i) Fix  $n$  and let  $L = \{GL(n, \mathbb{F}_q)\}$ , where  $\{\mathbb{F}_q\}$  ranges over all finite fields. Then  $L$  is a system of finite groups with

BN-pair.  $CP$  is the set of all prime powers,  $c_i = 1$  for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ , and for all  $q \in CP$ ,

$$G(q) = GL(n, \mathbb{F}_q) .$$

(ii) Each of the families of finite Chevalley groups, and twisted Chevalley groups (see Carter [CRI]) forms a system of BN-pairs.

The Hecke Algebra  $H_K(q)$  : Let  $G = G(q)$  be a member of a system of finite groups with BN-pairs of type  $(W, \underline{R})$ , where  $q$  is a power of the prime  $p > 0$ . Let  $B(q)$  denote a standard Borel subgroup of  $G(q)$ . Define, in the group algebra  $KG(q)$ , the idempotent  $b(q) = |B(q)|^{-1} \sum_{b \in B(q)} b$  and the left ideal  $V(q) = KG(q).b(q)$ .  $V(q)$  is a left  $KG(q)$ -module affording the character  $1_{B(q)}^{G(q)}$ .

Definition 7.2.26 (Iwahori [I]): The Hecke algebra  $H_K(q)$  is defined as a subalgebra of  $KG(q)$  by

$$H_K(q) = b(q) KG(q) b(q) .$$

Definition 7.2.27 For all  $w \in W$ , define

$$\text{ind}_{B(q)}^{B(q)^w} = |B(q) : B(q) \cap B(q)^w| .$$

The Hecke algebra  $H_K(q)$  is isomorphic to the opposite ring  $(\text{End}_{KG(q)}(KG(q).b(q)))^{\text{op}}$ , where  $\text{End}_{KG(q)}(KG(q).b(q))$  is viewed as an algebra of left operators on  $KG(q).b(q)$  (see [CRII], pp.281-282). The simple  $H_K(q)$ -modules are in 1-1-correspondence with the set of irreducible characters of  $G(q)$  which appear in  $1_{B(q)}^{G(q)}$  ([CRII], Thm. 11.25(ii)).

The structure of the Hecke algebra  $H_K(q)$  has been determined by Iwahori [I] and Matsumoto [HM] as follows:

Theorem 7.2.28 (Iwahori, Matsumoto):  $H_K(q)$  has  $K$ -basis  $\{a_w | w \in W\}$ , where  $a_w = \text{ind}_{B(q)}^{B(q)} w \cdot b(q)(w)b(q)$ , for all  $w \in W$ .  $a_1 = b(q)$  is the identity element of  $H_K(q)$ . For any  $1 \neq w \in W$ , if  $w = w_{i_1} \dots w_{i_s}$  is a reduced expression for  $w$  then  $a_w = a_{w_{i_1}} \dots a_{w_{i_s}}$ .  $H_K(q)$  is generated, as  $K$ -algebra with identity element  $a_1$ , by  $\{a_{w_i} | w_i \in \underline{R}\}$  and the following are defining relations for  $H_K(q)$  in terms of those generators:

$$a_w a_v = a_{wv} \quad \text{if } \ell(wv) = \ell(w) + \ell(v),$$

$$a_{w_i}^2 = q^{c_i} a_1 + (q^{c_i} - 1) a_{w_i},$$

for all  $w, v \in W$  and  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ . □

### The Generic Algebra

Let  $A = Q[u_i; w_i \in \underline{R}]$  denote the polynomial ring over the rational field  $Q$  with generators  $\{u_i\}_{w_i \in \underline{R}}$ , such that  $u_i = u_j$  whenever  $w_i$  and  $w_j$  are conjugate in  $W$ .

Definition 7.2.29 (J. Tits): The generic algebra  $H_A(u)$  of the Coxeter system  $(W, \underline{R})$  is the associative algebra over the ring  $A$ , with identity  $T_1$  and basis  $\{T_w | w \in W\}$  satisfying:

$$T_w T_v = T_{wv} \quad , \quad \text{if } \ell(wv) = \ell(w) + \ell(v)$$

$$T_{w_i}^2 = u_i + (u_i - 1) T_{w_i}$$

for all  $v, w \in W$  and  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ .

A specialization is a ring homomorphism  $f : A \rightarrow \sigma$ , with  $\sigma$  a field.  $\sigma$  can be regarded as  $(\sigma, A)$ -bimodule.

Definition Let  $H_{f,\sigma} = \sigma \otimes_A H_A(u)$ .  $H_f$  is called a specialized algebra of  $H_A(u)$ . It is a  $\sigma$ -algebra with  $\sigma$ -basis  $\{1 \otimes T_w = T_{w,f} \mid w \in W\}$  and the structure constants of  $H_{f,\sigma}$  are obtained by applying  $f$  to the structure constants of the generic algebra  $H_A(u)$ .

Note: Any specialization  $f : A \rightarrow \sigma$  induces a ring epimorphism  $f : H_A(u) \rightarrow H_{f,\sigma}$ , such that  $f(T_w) := T_{w,f}$  for all  $w \in W$ .

Examples: 7.2.30 (i) Let  $f_q : A \rightarrow K$  ( $K$  is the field of characteristic 0 in the  $p$ -modular system  $(K, R, F)$ ) be the map given by  $f_q(u_i) := q^{c_i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ . Then  $H_{f_q, K} \cong H_K(q)$  as  $K$ -algebras (see 7.2.27).

(ii) Let  $f_1 : A \rightarrow K$  be the map given by  $f_1(u_i) = 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq \ell$ . Then  $H_{f_1, K} \cong KW$  as  $K$ -algebras.

Notations: For the remainder of the section we will fix the following notations:

$\tilde{A} := Q(u_i; w_i \in \underline{R})$ , the quotient field of  $A$ .

$L$  = finite extension of  $\tilde{A}$  which is a splitting field for  $H_K(u)$ .

$I_1$  = integral closure of  $A$  in  $K$ .

Any specialization  $f : A \rightarrow K$  can be extended to a homomorphism  $f^* : I_1 \rightarrow K$  (see for example [CRII], lemma 68.16).

The specializations  $f_1$  and  $f_q$ , defined in 7.2.30, have been used in [CIK] to parametrize the irreducible characters of  $G(q)$  which appear in  $1_{B(q)}^{G(q)}$ . The following theorem given this parametrization in terms of the irreducible characters of  $W$ .

Theorem 7.2.30 (Curtis, Iwahori, Kilmyer [CIK]): Let  $G(q) \in L$ .

There exists a bijection  $\phi \rightarrow \phi_0$  from the set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $W$  to the set

$$\{\phi_0 \mid \phi_0 \text{ is irreducible character of } G(q), \langle \phi_0, 1_{B(q)}^{G(q)} \rangle_{G(q)} \neq 0\}.$$

This bijection depends only on the choices of the extensions  $f_1^*$  and  $f_q^*$ , and has the following property. For each  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , let  $W_J$  and  $G_J(q)$  be the corresponding parabolic subgroups of  $W$  and  $G(q)$ , respectively. Then

$$\langle \phi_0, 1_{G_J(q)}^{G(q)} \rangle_{G(q)} = \langle \phi, 1_{W_J}^W \rangle_W.$$

In particular,

$$\langle \phi_0, 1_{B(q)}^{G(q)} \rangle = \text{degree of } \phi. \quad \square$$

We now go back to the decomposition matrix  $D_1$  of the system  $(KE_1, E_1, FE_1)$  (with the assumption that  $G = G(q) \in L$ ). From 7.2.23 and 7.2.28, it is clear that  $KE_1 \cong (H_K(q))^{op}$ , the opposite ring of  $H_K(q)$ . Let  $\{\theta_i, i \in I\}$  be the set of irreducible characters of  $G(q)$  which appear in  $1_{B(q)}^{G(q)}$ . By theorem 7.2.30, we may use set  $I$  to index the full set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $W$ . Let  $\{\xi_i, i \in I\}$  be the full set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $W$ , and suppose that the correspondence, given by theorem 7.2.30, takes  $\xi_i$  to  $\theta_i$  ( $i \in I$ ).

Proposition 7.2.31 For every  $i \in I$  and  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ,

$$d_{i,J} = \langle \xi_i, \omega_J \rangle_W,$$

where  $\omega_J := \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq R} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} 1_{W_S}^W$ .

Proof By 7.2.24, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{i,J} &= \langle \theta_i, \eta_J \rangle_{G(q)} \\
 &= \langle \theta_i, \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq R} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} 1_{G_S(q)}^{G(q)} \rangle_{G(q)} \\
 &= \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq R} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} \langle \theta_i, 1_{G_S(q)}^{G(q)} \rangle_{G(q)} \\
 &= \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq R} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} \langle \xi_i, 1_{W_S}^W \rangle \quad \text{by 7.2.30} \\
 &= \langle \xi_i, \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq R} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} 1_{W_S}^W \rangle \\
 &= \langle \xi_i, \omega_J \rangle_W. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

### §7.3 Some Contravariant Forms On $\underline{Y}_X$

Let  $G = (G, B, N, R, U)$  be a finite group with split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$ . We assume that  $G$  has an involutory anti-automorphism  $\theta: G \rightarrow G$  (i.e.  $\theta(g_1 g_2) = \theta(g_2) \theta(g_1)$  for all  $g_1, g_2 \in G$  and  $\theta^2 = \text{id}_G$ ) with the following axioms:

(i)  $\theta(h) = h$  for all  $h \in H$ .

(ii)  $\theta(X_\alpha) = X_{-\alpha}$  for all  $\alpha \in \Phi$ , when  $X_\alpha$  is the root subgroup of  $G$  associated with the root  $\alpha \in \Phi$  (see §1.2).

(iii)  $\theta(N) = N$ , and  $\theta$  induces a map on  $W = N/H$  such that  $\theta(n)H = n^{-1}H$  for all  $n \in N$ .

Since  $U = \prod_{\alpha \in \Phi^+} X_\alpha$ , it follows from (ii) that  $\theta(U) = w_0^{-1} U w_0 = U^-$ .



If  $G = \langle x_\alpha(t), \alpha \in \Phi, t \in k \rangle$  is a finite Chevalley group defined over a finite field  $k$  of characteristic  $p$ , then  $G$ , with its standard split BN-pair (see [RS1], p.35), has such  $\theta$ . In fact  $\theta$ , in this case, is given by

$$\theta(x_\alpha(t)) := x_{-\alpha}(t) \quad \alpha \in \Phi, t \in k.$$

Definition 7.3.1 Let  $V$  and  $X$  be two  $RG$ -lattices. An  $R$ -bilinear form  $\beta : V \times X \rightarrow R$  is called contravariant (or  $\theta$ -contravariant) if

$$\beta(gv, x) = \beta(v, \theta(g)x)$$

for all  $v \in V$ ,  $x \in X$ , and  $g \in G$ .

If  $V \in \text{mod } RG$ , denote by  $V^\theta$  the  $R$ -module  $\text{Hom}_R(V, R)$ , regarded as left  $RG$ -module by the rule

$$7.3.2 \quad (gf)(v) := f(\theta(g)v),$$

for all  $f \in V^\theta$ ,  $g \in G$  and  $v \in V$ . Note that since  $V$  is a free  $R$ -module,  $\text{Hom}_R(V, R)$  is also a free  $R$ -module ([SL], p.343), hence  $V^\theta$  is an  $RG$ -lattice.

Remark 7.3.3 The rule 7.3.2 gives a left  $G$ -action on  $V^\theta$ , since  $\theta$  is an anti-automorphism. If we replace  $\theta(g)$  in 7.3.2 by  $g^{-1}$ , we get the usual "dual" or "contragredient"  $RG$ -module  $V^*$  (see [CRII], p.245). Note also that  $V \cong (V^\theta)^\theta$  under the  $RG$ -isomorphism  $v \mapsto a_v$ ,  $v \in V$ , where  $a_v \in (V^\theta)^\theta$  is given by

$$a_v(f) := f(v) \quad \text{for all } f \in V^\theta.$$

Lemma 7.3.4 Let  $V, X \in \text{mod}^0 R$  and let  $\beta : V \times X \rightarrow R$  be any  $R$ -bilinear form. Let  $f_\beta : V \rightarrow X^\theta$  be the corresponding  $R$ -map given by

$$f_\beta(v)(x) := \beta(v, x),$$

for all  $v \in V$ , and all  $x \in X$ . Then  $\beta$  is contravariant if and only if  $f_\beta$  is an  $RG$ -homomorphism.

Proof Suppose  $\beta$  is contravariant. For a given  $g \in G$  and  $v \in V$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_\beta(gv)(x) &= \beta(gv, x) \\ &= \beta(v, \theta(g)x) \\ &= f_\beta(v)(\theta(g)x) \\ &= (g f_\beta)(v)(x) \quad \text{by 7.3.2,} \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Hence  $f_\beta(gv) = g f_\beta(v)$ , for all  $g \in G$  and all  $v \in V$ , and so  $f_\beta$  is an  $RG$ -map. Conversely if  $f_\beta$  is an  $RG$ -map then, given  $g \in G$ ,  $v \in V$ , and  $x \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(gv, x) &= f_\beta(gv, x) = f_\beta(gv)(x) \\ &= g f_\beta(v)(x) \quad \text{since } f_\beta \text{ is an } RG\text{-map} \\ &= f_\beta(v)(\theta(g)x) \quad \text{by 7.3.2} \\ &= \beta(v, \theta(g)x). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\beta$  is contravariant. □

If  $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$  and  $\{x_1, \dots, x_t\}$  are  $R$ -bases for  $V$  and  $X$ , respectively, then the contravariant form  $\beta : V \times X \rightarrow R$  of 7.3.4 is

completely determined by the values  $\beta(v_i, x_j)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq r$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq t$ .  
Let  $M(\beta)$  denote the  $r \times t$  matrix whose  $(i, j)$ -entry is  $\beta(v_i, x_j)$ .

Definition 7.3.5 Let  $V, X \in \text{mod}^0 R G$  and let  $\beta : V \times X \rightarrow R$  be an  $R$ -bilinear form. Suppose  $\text{rank } V = \text{rank } X = t$ ; say. Then  $\beta$  is said to be non-singular if the  $t \times t$  matrix  $M(\beta)$  is invertible in  $R$ , equivalently if the map  $f_\beta : V \rightarrow X^\theta$  is an isomorphism of  $R$ -modules.

In this section we will show that the set  $\{Y_\chi, \chi \in \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)\}$  is closed under the  $\theta$ -duality. We will also show that the simple  $FG$ -modules  $M(\chi, J)$  are self  $\theta$ -dual.

Let  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)$ . If  $S$  is a transversal of  $\{gB ; g \in G\}$  then it is clear that  $\{s[U]\beta_\chi ; s \in S\}$  forms an  $R$ -basis for the  $RG$ -lattice  $Y_\chi (= RG[U]\beta_\chi)$ .

Lemma 7.3.6 Let  $S$  be a transversal of the set  $\{gB ; g \in G\}$ . Then  $\{\theta(s)^{-1}(w_0) ; s \in S\}$  is also a transversal of  $\{gB ; g \in G\}$ .

Proof If  $g \in G$  then  $g = sb$  for a unique  $s \in S$  and a unique  $b \in B$ , and  $\theta(g^{-1}) = \theta(b^{-1}s^{-1}) = \theta(s^{-1})(b^{-1})$ . Since  $\theta(B) = w_0 B w_0^{-1}$ ,  $\theta(b^{-1}) = (w_0)b'(w_0)^{-1}$  for some  $b' \in B$ , and so  $\theta(g^{-1}) = \theta(s^{-1})(w_0)b'(w_0)^{-1}$ , hence  $\theta(g^{-1})(w_0) = \theta(s^{-1})(w_0)b'$ . Since the map  $g \rightarrow \theta(g^{-1})(w_0)$  is a bijection of the elements of  $G$ , it follows that  $sb \rightarrow \theta(s^{-1})(w_0)b'$  is also a bijection of the elements of  $G$ . Hence every element  $g \in G$  has the form

$$\theta(s^{-1})(w_0)b' \quad \text{for a unique } s \in S$$

and a unique  $b' \in B$ . Therefore  $\{\theta(s^{-1})(w_0) ; s \in S\}$  is a transversal

of  $\{gB ; g \in G\}$  .

□

Proposition 7.3.7 There is a non-singular contravariant form

$\langle , \rangle : Y_X \times Y_{w_0 X} \rightarrow R$  given by

$$7.3.8 \quad \langle g[U]_{\beta_X}, \theta(g')^{-1}(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 X}} \rangle := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } g'^{-1}g \notin B \\ \chi(g'^{-1}g) & \text{if } g'^{-1}g \in B \end{cases}$$

for all  $g, g' \in G$  .

Proof (i) First we need to show that the form  $\langle , \rangle$  is well-defined; that is if we replace  $g$  and  $g'$  in 7.3.8 by  $gb$  and  $g'b'$ , respectively, where  $b, b' \in B$ , then the right hand side of 7.3.8 will have the appropriate value. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle gb[U]_{\beta_X}, \theta(g'b')^{-1}(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 X}} \rangle \\ &= \langle gb\beta_X[U], \theta(b'^{-1}g'^{-1})(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 X}} \rangle \\ &= \chi(b) \langle g\beta_X[U], \theta(g'^{-1})\theta(b'^{-1})(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 X}} \rangle \\ &= \chi(b) \langle g\beta_X[U], \theta(g'^{-1})(w_0)(w_0)^{-1}\theta(b'^{-1})(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 X}} \rangle \\ &= \chi(b)w_0\chi((w_0)^{-1}\theta(b')^{-1}(w_0)) \langle g[U]_{\beta_X}, \theta(g')^{-1}(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 X}} \rangle . \end{aligned}$$

If we write  $b' = h'u'$  for some  $h' \in H$  and  $u' \in U$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} (w_0)^{-1}\theta(b')^{-1}(w_0) &= (w_0)^{-1}\theta(h'u')^{-1}(w_0) \\ &= (w_0)^{-1}\theta(h')^{-1}\theta(u')^{-1}(w_0) \\ &= (w_0)^{-1}\theta(h')^{-1}(w_0)(w_0)^{-1}\theta(u')^{-1}(w_0) \in UH . \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w_0 \chi|_U = 1_U$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 w_0 \chi((w_0)^{-1} \theta(b')^{-1}(w_0)) &= w_0 \chi((w_0)^{-1} \theta(h')^{-1}(w_0)) \\
 &= w_0 \chi((w_0)^{-1} h'^{-1}(w_0)) \\
 &= \chi(h')^{-1} \\
 &= \chi(u'^{-1} h'^{-1}) = \chi(b')^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\langle gb[U]_{\beta_{\chi}}, \theta(g'b')^{-1}(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 \chi}} \rangle \\
 &= \chi(b)\chi(b')^{-1} \langle g[U]_{\beta_{\chi}}, \theta(g'^{-1})(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 \chi}} \rangle \\
 &= \begin{cases} \chi(bb'^{-1})\chi(gg'^{-1}) & \text{if } gg'^{-1} \in B \\ 0 & \text{if } gg'^{-1} \notin B, \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

which shows that  $\langle , \rangle$  is well-defined.

(ii) We show that  $\langle , \rangle$  is contravariant. If  $g, g', g_1 \in G$  then

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\langle g_1 g[U]_{\beta_{\chi}}, \theta(g')^{-1}(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 \chi}} \rangle \\
 &= \begin{cases} \chi(g'^{-1} g_1 g) & \text{if } g'^{-1} g_1 g \in B \\ 0 & \text{if } g'^{-1} g_1 g \notin B \end{cases} \\
 &= \langle g[U]_{\beta_{\chi}}, \theta(g_1^{-1} g')^{-1}(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 \chi}} \rangle \\
 &= \langle g[U]_{\beta_{\chi}}, \theta(g_1) \theta(g'^{-1})(w_0)[U]_{\beta_{w_0 \chi}} \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\langle , \rangle$  is  $\theta$ -contravariant.

(iii) Non-singularity. Let  $S$  be a transversal of the set  $\{gB ; g \in G\}$ . By 7.3.6  $\{\theta(s)^{-1}(w_0)[U]\beta_{w_0X}, s \in S\}$  is an  $R$ -basis for  $Y_{w_0X}$ . For  $s, s' \in S$  we have

$$\langle s[U]\beta_X, \theta(s')^{-1}(w_0)[U]\beta_{w_0X} \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } s'^{-1} \notin B \\ \chi(s'^{-1}s) & \text{if } s'^{-1}s \in B. \end{cases}$$

But  $s'^{-1}s \in B \Leftrightarrow sB = s'B \Leftrightarrow s = s'$ . Therefore we have

$$\langle s[U]\beta_X, \theta(s')^{-1}(w_0)[U]\beta_{w_0X} \rangle = \delta_{s,s'},$$

for all  $s, s' \in S$ , and so the  $|S| \times |S|$  matrix  $M(<, >)$  is invertible hence  $<, >$  is non-singular.  $\square$

Remarks 7.3.9 (i) It follows from 7.3.7 that there exists an  $RG$ -isomorphism  $f_{<, >} : Y_X \rightarrow Y_{w_0X}^\theta$ , induced from the contravariant form  $<, >$ , given by

$$f_{<, >}(x)(y) := \langle x, y \rangle$$

for all  $x \in Y_X$  and  $y \in Y_{w_0X}$ .

(ii) If  $k \in \{K, F\}$  then the contravariant form  $<, > : Y_X \times Y_{w_0X} \rightarrow R$ , defined in 7.3.7, will induce a contravariant form  $<, >_k : kY_X \times kY_{w_0X} \rightarrow k$ . It is clear that the form  $<, >_k$  is non-singular.

Let  $(\chi, J)$  be an admissible  $G$ -pair and let  $M(\chi, J)$  be the corresponding simple  $FG$ -module. In ([C2], Theorem 6.15), Curtis shows that  $M(\chi, J)$  is completely determined by its unique  $B$ -line (see 4.2.5) and the parabolic subgroup  $G_J$  which is the full stabiliser of that line.

We will assume that the Coset representatives  $\{(w_i), w_i \in \underline{R}\}$  are chosen such that  $(w_i) \in \langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle$  for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ . Such choice is possible by 1.2.4(i).

Theorem 7.3.10  $M(\chi, J)^\theta \cong M(\chi, J)$  as FG-modules, for all admissible G-pairs  $(\chi, J)$ .

Proof Let  $M = M(\chi, J)$ . It is clear, since  $(M^\theta)^\theta = M$ , that  $M^\theta$  is simple FG-module. Let  $F.m$  be the unique B-line of  $M$ . From ([C2], Theorem 4.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} M &= FG.m \\ &= (FU^-).m \\ 7.3.11 \quad &= F.m \oplus \underline{r}(FU^-)m, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\underline{r}(FU^-)$  is the radical of  $FU^-$ . Define the F-map  $\mu : M \rightarrow F$  as follows: If  $m' \in M$  then  $\mu(m')$  is the coefficient of  $m$  in the decomposition of  $m'$  according to 7.3.11, that is

$$m' = \mu(m')m + x_1, \quad x_1 \in \underline{r}(FU^-)m.$$

For every  $u \in U$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta(u)m' &= \mu(m')\theta(u)m + \theta(u)x_1 \\ &= \mu(m')((\theta(u)-1)m + m) + \theta(u)x_1 \\ &= \mu(m')m + \mu(m')(\theta(u)-1)m + \theta(u)x_1. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\theta(u) \in U^-$  and  $U^-$  is a p-group, it follows (see [CRII], Thm. 5.24) that  $(\theta(u)-1) \in \underline{r}(FU^-)$ . It is also clear that  $\theta(u)x_1 \in \underline{r}(FU^-)m$ .

Hence

$$\theta(u)m' = \mu(m')m + x_2, \quad x_2 \in \underline{r}(FU^-)m$$

and so  $u\mu = \mu$  for all  $u \in U$ . If  $h \in H$  then, since  $hm = \chi(h)m$ , we have

$$hm' = \chi(h)\mu(m')m + hx_1$$

and  $hx_1 \in \underline{r}(FU^-)m$ , since  $H$  normalizes  $U^-$ . Therefore  $h\mu = \chi(h)$  for all  $h \in H$ . It follows that  $F.\mu$  is the unique  $B$ -line of  $M^\theta$  and that  $M^\theta \cong M(\chi, T)$  for some  $T \subseteq P(\chi)$ .

To complete the proof we need to show that  $G_J$  is the full stabilizer of  $F.\mu$ . Let  $w_i \in J$  and let

$$m' = \mu(m')m + x_1, \quad x_1 \in \underline{r}(FU^-)m$$

be any element of  $M$ . We have

$$7.3.12 \quad \theta((w_i))m' = \mu(m')\theta((w_i))m + \theta((w_i))x_1.$$

Since  $(w_i) \in \langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle$ , it follows from axiom (ii) of  $\theta$  that  $\theta((w_i)) \in \langle U_i, U_{-i} \rangle$  (note that  $U_i = U_{\alpha_i}$ ). By 1.2.4(3), we then have  $\theta((w_i)) = (w_i)h$  for some  $h \in H_i$ . Since  $G_J$  is the full stabilizer of  $F.m$  and  $\chi|_{H_i} = 1$ , it follows from 7.3.12 that

$$\begin{aligned} \theta((w_i))m' &= \mu(m')\chi(h)m + (w_i)hx_1 \\ &= \mu(m')m + (w_i)hx_1. \end{aligned}$$

It will then follow that  $(w_i)\mu = \mu$  if we show that

$$7.3.13 \quad (w_i)h \underline{r}(FU^-)m \subseteq \underline{r}(FU^-)m.$$

Since  $H$  normalises  $U^-$  and  $hm = \chi(h)m$ , we have

$$7.3.14 \quad (w_i)h \underline{r}(FU^-)m = (w_i)\underline{r}(FU^-)m.$$



To show that  $(w_i) \underline{r}(FU^-) \subseteq \underline{r}(FU^-) \mathfrak{m}$ , consider the decomposition

$$U^- = (U^-)_{w_i}^+ (U^-)_{w_i}^- ,$$

which follows from 1.2.8, where  $(U^-)_{w_i}^+ = U^- \cap (U^-)^{w_i}$  and

$$(U^-)_{w_i}^- = U^- \cap (U^-)^{w_0 w_i} = U^- \cap U^{w_i} .$$

Since  $U^-$  is a  $p$ -group,  $\underline{r}(FU^-)$

is spanned by the elements  $v-1$ ,  $v \in U^-$ . If  $v \in U^-$ , write  $v = v_1 v_2$ , where  $v_1 \in (U^-)_{w_i}^+$  and  $v_2 \in (U^-)_{w_i}^-$ . Then  $(v-1) = (v_1 v_2 - 1) = v_1(v_2 - 1) + (v_1 - 1)$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} (w_i)(v-1)(w_i)^{-1} &= (w_i)(v_1(v_2-1) + (v_1-1))(w_i)^{-1} \\ &= z_1(z_2-1) + (z_1-1) , \end{aligned}$$

where  $z_1 = (w_i)v_1(w_i)^{-1}$  and  $z_2 = (w_i)v_2(w_i)^{-1}$ . But  $z_2 \in (w_i)(U^-)_{w_i}^-(w_i)^{-1} = (U^-)^{w_i} \cap U \leq U$ , and so  $(z_2-1)\mathfrak{m} = 0$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} (w_i)(v-1)(w_i)^{-1} \mathfrak{m} &= z_1(z_2-1)\mathfrak{m} + (z_1-1)\mathfrak{m} \\ &= (z_1-1)\mathfrak{m} \in \underline{r}(FU^-) \mathfrak{m} . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore (since  $(w_i)\mathfrak{m} = \mathfrak{m}$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} (w_i) \underline{r}(FU^-) \mathfrak{m} &= (w_i) \underline{r}(FU^-) (w_i)^{-1} (w_i) \mathfrak{m} \\ &= (w_i) \underline{r}(FU^-) (w_i)^{-1} \mathfrak{m} \subseteq \underline{r}(FU^-) \mathfrak{m} , \end{aligned}$$

which proves 7.3.13 and so  $(w_i)\mu = \mu$  for all  $w_i \in J$ . Since  $G_T$  is the full stabilizer of  $F.\mu$ ,  $J \subseteq T$ .

On the other hand, since  $(M^\theta)^\theta = M$ , we have  $M(\chi, T)^\theta \cong M(\chi, J)$  and so by reversing the above argument we get  $T \subseteq J$ . Hence  $T = J$  and so  $M(\chi, J)^\theta = M(\chi, J)$ . This completes the proof of 7.3.10.  $\square$

Remark 7.3.16 The functor  $(\cdot, R) : \text{mod}^0 RG \rightarrow \text{mod } R$  is  $R$ -linear, hence it commutes with direct sum of  $RG$ -lattices. Note also that, since  $k \otimes_R (X, R) \cong (kX, k)$  ( $X$  is any  $RG$ -lattice and  $k \in \{K, F\}$ ), it follows that  $\theta$ -dualizing commutes with the functor  $k \otimes_R : \text{mod}^0 RG \rightarrow \text{mod } kG$ .

For every  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , let  ${}^w_0 J = w_0 J w_0^{-1}$ .  ${}^w_0 J \subseteq \underline{R}$  (see [HS], p.38), and if  $(\chi, J)$  is an admissible  $G$ -pair then so is  $(w_0 \chi, {}^w_0 J)$  and the mapping  $(\chi, J) \rightarrow (w_0 \chi, {}^w_0 J)$  is a bijection.

Recall that for every  $\chi \in \hat{H}$ , we have  $Y_\chi = \sum_{J \subseteq P(\chi)}^\oplus Y(\chi, J)$ . By 7.3.9(i),  $Y_{w_0 \chi}^\theta \cong Y_\chi$  and so, as the  $\theta$ -dual functor commutes with direct sums of  $RG$ -lattices, we then have

$$Y_\chi \cong \sum_{S \subseteq P(w_0 \chi)}^\oplus Y(w_0 \chi, S)^\theta.$$

Using Krull-Schmidt theorem for  $RG$ -lattices (see [CRII], p.620), we then have

$$7.3.17 \quad Y(\chi, J) \cong Y(w_0 \chi, S)^\theta$$

for a unique  $S \subseteq P(w_0 \chi)$ .

Proposition 7.3.18  $Y(\chi, J) \cong Y(w_0 \chi, {}^w_0 J)^\theta$  as  $RG$ -lattices, for all admissible  $G$ -pairs  $(\chi, J)$ .

Proof From 7.3.17, we have

$$7.3.19 \quad Y(\chi, J) \cong Y(w_0 \chi, S)^\theta$$

for some  $S \subseteq P(w_0 \chi)$ . By taking the  $\theta$ -dual of 7.3.19 we get

$$Y(\chi, J)^\theta \cong Y(w_0\chi, S),$$

and, by remark 7.3.16, we have  $FY(\chi, J)^\theta \cong FY(w_0\chi, S)$ . To show that  $S = {}^w_0J$ , it is enough to show that  $\text{Soc}(FY(w_0\chi, S)) \cong M(\chi, J)$  (see [HS], theorem 3.10). But since the head of  $FY(\chi, J)$  is  $M(\chi, J)$  and by 7.3.10, we have

$$\text{Soc}(FY(w_0\chi, S)) \cong \text{Soc}(FY(\chi, J)^\theta) \cong M(\chi, J)^\theta \cong M(\chi, J).$$

Hence  $S = {}^w_0J$ , and so

$$Y(\chi, J) \cong Y(w_0\chi, {}^w_0J)^\theta.$$

□

Now let  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$  and let  $\{X_i, i \in I\}$  be a set of RG-lattices such that  $\{KX_i, i \in I\}$  is the full set of simple KG-components of  $KY_\chi$ . Since  $KY_\chi \cong KY_{w_0\chi}$  (see 5.0.4(ii)), we can identify the KG-components of  $KY_\chi$  with those of  $KY_{w_0\chi}$ . On the other hand the RG-isomorphism  $f_{<, >} : Y_\chi \rightarrow Y_{w_0\chi}^\theta$ , defined in 7.3.9(i), induces a KG-isomorphism

$$1_K \otimes f_{<, >} : KY_\chi \rightarrow (KY_{w_0\chi})^\theta.$$

Therefore, for each  $i \in I$ ,  $(KX_i)^\theta \cong KX_{i'}$ , for a unique  $i' \in I$  (note that  $(KX_i)^\theta$  is simple since  $((KX_i)^\theta)^\theta \cong KX_i$ , and the  $\theta$ -dual functor commutes with direct sums). Since  $((KX_i)^\theta)^\theta \cong KX_i$ , the map  $i \rightarrow i'$  defines an involution on the index set  $I$ .

Let  $(\chi, J)$  be an admissible G-pair, and suppose that

$$7.3.20 \quad KY(\chi, J) \cong \sum_{i \in I}^\theta d_{i, (\chi, J)} KX_i,$$

and

$$7.3.21 \quad KY(w_0X, w_0J) \cong \sum_{i \in I}^{\theta} d_{i, (w_0X, w_0J)} KX_i,$$

where  $d_{i, (X, J)}$  and  $d_{i, (w_0X, w_0J)} \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$ .

By applying the  $\theta$ -dual functor to 7.3.21 we get

$$\begin{aligned} 7.3.22 \quad (KY(w_0X, w_0J))^{\theta} &\cong \sum_{i \in I} d_{i, (w_0X, w_0J)} (KX_i)^{\theta} \\ &= \sum_{i \in I} d_{i, (w_0X, w_0J)} KX_{i'}. \end{aligned}$$

By 7.3.18 and remark 7.3.16 we have

$$7.3.23 \quad (KY(w_0X, w_0J))^{\theta} \cong KY(X, J)$$

as KG-modules. Therefore, for each  $i \in I$

$$d_{i, (w_0X, w_0J)} = [KX_{i'} \mid (KY(w_0X, w_0J))^{\theta}] \quad \text{by 7.3.22}$$

$$= [KX_{i'} \mid KY(X, J)] \quad \text{by 7.3.23}$$

$$7.3.24 \quad = d_{i', (X, J)}.$$

Using dual argument to the above, we also have

$$7.3.25 \quad d_{i, (X, J)} = d_{i', (w_0X, w_0J)}.$$

Now consider the decomposition matrices  $D_X$  and  $D_{w_0X}$  of the systems  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$  and  $(KE_{w_0X}, E_{w_0X}, FE_{w_0X})$ , respectively.

Since  $KY_X \cong KY_{w_0X}$ , the set  $I$  indexes the rows of  $D_X$  and  $D_{w_0X}$ .

On the other hand

$$Y_X = \sum_{J \subseteq P(X)}^{\oplus} Y(X, J) \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{w_0 X} = \sum_{S \subseteq P(w_0 X)}^{\oplus} Y(w_0 X, S)$$

with  $|P(X)| = |P(w_0 X)|$ . Therefore the set of simple  $FE_X$ -modules and the set of simple  $FE_{w_0 X}$ -modules are in 1-1 correspondence.

Consequently  $D_X$  and  $D_{w_0 X}$  have the same size, namely  $|I| \times 2^{|P(X)|}$ .

Moreover, using 7.2.3, it follows from 7.3.24 and 7.3.25 that  $D_X$  and  $D_{w_0 X}$  have the following forms

$$D_X = \begin{matrix} & & J \\ & & \vdots \\ i & \left( \begin{array}{c} \dots d_{i, (X, J)} \end{array} \right) \\ i' & \left( \begin{array}{c} \dots d_{i', (X, J)} \end{array} \right) \end{matrix}, \quad D_{w_0 X} = \begin{matrix} & & w_0 J \\ & & \vdots \\ i & \left( \begin{array}{c} \dots d_{i, (w_0 X, w_0 J)} \end{array} \right) \\ i' & \left( \begin{array}{c} \dots d_{i', (w_0 X, w_0 J)} \end{array} \right) \end{matrix},$$

with the  $i$ -th row of  $D_{w_0 X}$  ( $i \in I$ ) identical to the  $i'$ -th row of  $D_X$ . Summarizing the above we have

**Theorem 7.3.26** Let  $X \in \hat{H}$ , and suppose that the set of simple  $KG$ -components of  $KY_X$  are indexed by the finite set  $I$ . Let  $i \rightarrow i'$  ( $i \in I$ ) be the involution on  $I$  defined above. Then for every  $i \in I$  and every  $J \subseteq P(X)$ ,

$$d_{i, (X, J)} = d_{i', (w_0 X, w_0 J)} \quad \text{and} \quad d_{i', (X, J)} = d_{i, (w_0 X, w_0 J)}.$$

Consequently, the index set  $I$  can be arranged so that  $D_X$  and  $D_{w_0 X}$  are identical. □

#### §7.4 The Direct Product of Split BN-pairs

In this section we consider the direct product of two finite groups with split BN-pairs. We will show that such product also has a split BN-pair, and will derive some results which are relevant to the subject of chapter 7. In particular, we will prove some results concerning the decomposition numbers  $d_{i,(\chi,J)}$  (see 7.2.3). These results will be applied later in §7.5 to the case of the general linear group.

Let  $G^{(i)} = (G^{(i)}, B^{(i)}, N^{(i)}, \underline{R}^{(i)}, U^{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , be a finite group with a split BN-pair of rank  $\ell_i$  and characteristic  $p$ , for some prime  $p > 0$ . Write  $H^{(i)} = B^{(i)} \cap N^{(i)}$  and  $W^{(i)} = N^{(i)}/H^{(i)}$ . Let  $G = G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$  be the direct product of the groups  $G^{(1)}$  and  $G^{(2)}$ . Every element  $g$  of  $G$  can be written as a "vector"  $g = (g_1, g_2)$ , where  $g_i \in G^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . We will sometimes write  $G = (G^{(1)}, G^{(2)})$ .

Lemma 7.4.1 Suppose  $G = G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$ , where  $G^{(i)} = (G^{(i)}, B^{(i)}, N^{(i)}, \underline{R}^{(i)}, U^{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , is a finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$ , for some prime  $p > 0$ . Then  $B = B^{(1)} \times B^{(2)}$  and  $N = N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)}$  form a split BN-pair in  $G$ . Moreover,  $(W = W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}, \underline{R} = \underline{R}^{(1)} \cup \underline{R}^{(2)})$  is the Coxeter system of this BN-pair.

Proof We need to verify the axioms of BN-pairs.

(1) Since  $G^{(i)} = \langle B^{(i)}, N^{(i)} \rangle$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} G &= G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)} = \langle B^{(1)}, N^{(1)} \rangle \times \langle B^{(2)}, N^{(2)} \rangle \\ &= \langle B^{(1)} \times B^{(2)}, N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)} \rangle \\ &= \langle B, N \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad B \cap N &= B^{(1)} \times B^{(2)} \cap N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)} \\
 &= B^{(1)} \cap N^{(1)} \times B^{(2)} \cap N^{(2)} \\
 &= H^{(1)} \times H^{(2)} \trianglelefteq N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)},
 \end{aligned}$$

since  $H^{(i)} \trianglelefteq N^{(i)}$  ;  $i = 1, 2$  . Therefore

$$N/B \cap N = N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)} / H^{(1)} \times H^{(2)} = W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)} .$$

Suppose that  $\underline{R}^{(i)} = \{w_1^{(i)}, \dots, w_{\ell_i}^{(i)}\}$  ;  $i = 1, 2$  . The subgroup  $\langle (w_j^{(1)}, 1) ; j = 1, \dots, \ell_1 \rangle$  of  $W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$  is isomorphic to  $W^{(1)}$  . So we may identify  $W^{(1)}$  with  $\langle (w_j^{(1)}, 1) ; j = 1, \dots, \ell_1 \rangle$  , and  $\underline{R}^{(1)}$  with  $\{(w_j^{(1)}, 1) ; j = 1, \dots, \ell_1\}$  . Similar identification can be done for  $W^{(2)}$  and  $\underline{R}^{(2)}$  , and in this way we have  $\underline{R} = \underline{R}^{(1)} \dot{\cup} \underline{R}^{(2)}$  .

(3) Suppose  $r \in \underline{R}$  and  $w = (w^{(1)}, w^{(2)}) \in W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$  . Since  $\underline{R} = \underline{R}^{(1)} \dot{\cup} \underline{R}^{(2)}$  , we may assume that  $r \in \underline{R}^{(i)}$  ,  $i = 1, 2$  . Suppose  $r = w_j^{(1)} \in \underline{R}^{(1)}$  , then identifying  $w_j^{(1)}$  with  $(w_j^{(1)}, 1) \in W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 rBw &= (w_j^{(1)}, 1) (B^{(1)}, B^{(2)}) (w^{(1)}, w^{(2)}) \\
 &= (w_j^{(1)} B^{(1)} w^{(1)}, B^{(2)} w^{(2)}) \\
 &\subseteq (B^{(1)} w_j^{(1)} w^{(1)} B^{(1)} \dot{\cup} B^{(1)} w^{(1)} B^{(1)}, B^{(2)} w^{(2)}) ,
 \end{aligned}$$

by the BN-pair axioms of  $G^{(1)}$  .

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (B^{(1)} w_j^{(1)} w^{(1)} B^{(1)}, B^{(2)} w^{(2)}) \dot{\cup} (B^{(1)} w^{(1)} B^{(1)}, B^{(2)} w^{(2)}) \\
 &\subseteq (B^{(1)} w_j^{(1)} w^{(1)} B^{(1)}, B^{(2)} w^{(2)} B^{(2)}) \dot{\cup} (B^{(1)} w^{(1)} B^{(1)}, B^{(2)} w^{(2)} B^{(2)}) \\
 &= (B^{(1)}, B^{(2)}) (w_j^{(1)} w^{(1)}, w^{(2)}) (B^{(1)}, B^{(2)}) \\
 &\quad \dot{\cup} (B^{(1)}, B^{(2)}) (w^{(1)}, w^{(2)}) (B^{(1)}, B^{(2)}) \\
 &= BrwB \dot{\cup} BwB .
 \end{aligned}$$

The case when  $r \in \underline{R}^{(2)}$  is similar.

(4) For  $r \in \underline{R}$ , using similar discussion to that in (3) and the BN-pair axioms of the groups  $G^{(i)}$ ;  $i = 1, 2$ , one can easily see that  $rBr \not\subset B$ .

(5) Finally we have

$$\begin{aligned} B &= B^{(1)} \times B^{(2)} = U^{(1)}H^{(1)} \times U^{(2)}H^{(2)} \\ &= (U^{(1)} \times U^{(2)}) (H^{(1)} \times H^{(2)}) . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, putting  $U = U^{(1)} \times U^{(2)}$  and  $H = H^{(1)} \times H^{(2)}$ , we then have  $U \trianglelefteq B$  and  $B = UH$ .

It follows from (1)-(5) that

$$(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}, B^{(1)} \times B^{(2)}, N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)}, \underline{R}^{(1)} \cup R^{(2)}, U^{(1)} \times U^{(2)})$$

form a split BN-pair in  $G = G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$  of rank  $\ell_1 + \ell_2$ . It is also clear that this split BN-pair is of the same characteristic as  $(G^{(i)}, B^{(i)}, N^{(i)}, \underline{R}^{(i)}, U^{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

Let  $(K, R, F)$  be a  $p$ -modular system such that  $K$  (and hence  $F$ ) is a splitting field for  $G^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and all its subgroups.

If  $\chi \in \hat{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)$ , then  $\chi$  has the form  $(\chi_1, \chi_2)$ , where  $\chi_i \in \hat{H}^{(i)} = \text{Hom}(H^{(i)}, K^\times)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . The value of  $\chi (= (\chi_1, \chi_2))$  or  $h = (h_1, h_2) \in H$  is given by

$$7.4.2 \quad \chi(h) := \chi_1(h_1)\chi_2(h_2) .$$

Any  $\chi = (\chi_1, \chi_2) \in \hat{H}$  can be extended to a character  $\chi_B$  of  $B$  by putting

$$\chi_B = (\chi_{1B}(1), \chi_{2B}(2)) ,$$



where  $\chi_{iB(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , is the extension of  $\chi_i$  to a character of  $B(i)$  which has the trivial value on  $U(i)$ .

Let  $\chi = (\chi_1, \chi_2) \in \hat{H}$ , and for  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $\gamma_{\chi_i}^{(i)} = RG^{(i)}[U^{(i)}]_{\beta_{\chi_i}}$ , where  $\beta_{\chi_i} = |H^{(i)}|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H^{(i)}} \chi_i(h^{-1})h$ . The  $R$ -lattice  $\gamma_{\chi_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R \gamma_{\chi_2}^{(2)}$  has a structure of left  $R(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module (see [CRII], §10E), where the  $G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$ -action is given by:

$$(g_1, g_2)(x_1 \otimes x_2) := g_1 x_1 \otimes g_2 x_2,$$

for all  $(g_1, g_2) \in G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$  and all  $x_1 \in \gamma_{\chi_1}^{(1)}$ ,  $x_2 \in \gamma_{\chi_2}^{(2)}$ .

Let  $\gamma_{\chi} = RG[U]_{\beta_{\chi}}$ , where  $G = G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$ ,  $U = U^{(1)} \times U^{(2)}$  and  $\beta_{\chi} = |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1})h$ .

Lemma 7.4.3  $\gamma_{\chi} \cong \gamma_{\chi_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R \gamma_{\chi_2}^{(2)}$  as  $RG$ -lattices

Proof Let  $\Omega : RG \rightarrow RG^{(1)} \otimes_R RG^{(2)}$  be the  $R$ -map given by  $\Omega((g_1, g_2)) := g_1 \otimes g_2$ , for all  $(g_1, g_2) \in G$ .  $\Omega$  is clearly an  $R$ -isomorphism. It is also an  $RG$ -isomorphism where the  $G$ -action on  $RG^{(1)} \otimes_R RG^{(2)}$  is the one given by

$$(g_1, g_2)(x_1 \otimes x_2) = g_1 x_1 \otimes g_2 x_2,$$

for all  $(g_1, g_2) \in G$ ,  $x_1 \in RG^{(1)}$ , and  $x_2 \in RG^{(2)}$ . It is clear that if  $g = (g_1, g_2) \in G$ , then  $\Omega$  sends  $g[U]_{\beta_{\chi}} \in RG$  to  $g_1[U^{(1)}]_{\beta_{\chi_1}} \otimes g_2[U^{(2)}]_{\beta_{\chi_2}} \in RG^{(1)} \otimes_R RG^{(2)}$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Omega(Y_X) &= \Omega(RG[U]_{\beta_X}) \\
 &\cong RG^{(1)}[U^{(1)}]_{\beta_{X_1}} \otimes_R RG^{(2)}[U^{(2)}]_{\beta_{X_2}} \\
 &= Y_{X_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R Y_{X_2}^{(2)} .
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $Y_X \cong Y_{X_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R Y_{X_2}^{(2)}$  as RG-lattices.  $\square$

It follows from 6.0.7 that we have a decomposition

$$7.4.4 \quad Y_X \cong \sum_{J \in P(X)}^{\oplus} Y(X, J) ,$$

of  $Y_X$  into mutually non-isomorphic indecomposable RG-lattices. Let  $w_0^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , be the unique element of  $W^{(i)}$  of maximal length.

Then it is clear that  $w_0 = (w_0^{(1)}, w_0^{(2)}) \in W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$  is the unique element of  $W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$  of maximal length.

Let  $w_j \in \underline{R} (= \underline{R}^{(1)} \cup \underline{R}^{(2)})$ , and suppose that  $w_j = w_j^{(1)} \in \underline{R}^{(1)}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq \lambda_1$ . Then, identifying  $w_j^{(1)}$  with  $(w_j^{(1)}, 1) \in W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$ , we have  $w_0 w_j = (w_0^{(1)} w_j^{(1)}, w_0^{(2)})$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_j &= U_{w_j}^- = U \cap U^{w_0 w_j} = (U^{(1)} \cap (U^{(1)})^{w_0^{(1)} w_j^{(1)}} , U^{(2)} \cap (U^{(2)})^{w_0^{(2)}}) \\
 &= (U_j^{(1)}, 1) .
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{-j} &= U_j^{w_j} = ((U_j^{(1)})^{w_j^{(1)}} , 1) \\
 &= (U_{-j}^{(1)} , 1) ,
 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 7.4.5 \quad H_j &= H \cap \langle U_j, U_{-j} \rangle \\
 &= (H^{(1)}, H^{(2)}) \cap (\langle U_j^{(1)}, U_{-j}^{(1)} \rangle, 1) \\
 &= (H_j^{(1)}, 1) .
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if  $w_j = w_j^{(2)} \in \underline{R}^{(2)}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq \ell_2$ , then

$$7.4.6 \quad H_j = (1, H_j^{(2)}) .$$

Lemma 7.4.7 Let  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \hat{H}$ , where  $x_i \in \hat{H}^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then

(i)  $P(x) = P(x_1) \dot{\cup} P(x_2)$ , and

(ii)  $(x, J)$  is an admissible  $G$ -pair if and only if  $J = J_1 \dot{\cup} J_2$ , say  $J_1 \subseteq \underline{R}^{(1)}$ ,  $J_2 \subseteq \underline{R}^{(2)}$ , and  $(x_i, J_i)$  is an admissible  $G^{(i)}$ -pair,  $i = 1, 2$ .

Proof Both (i) and (ii) follows from 7.4.5 and 7.4.6.  $\square$

Let  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \hat{H}$ . Since  $Y_x \cong_{\underline{R}} Y_{x_1} \otimes Y_{x_2}$  as  $RG$ -lattices, it follows that  $E(Y_x) = E(Y_{x_1}) \otimes E(Y_{x_2})$  (see [CRII], Lemma 10.37). To define an explicit algebra isomorphism between  $E(Y_x)$  and  $E(Y_{x_1}^{(1)} \otimes Y_{x_2}^{(2)})$ , suppose that  $E(Y) = \sum_{n \in N}^{\oplus} R.A_n$  and  $E(Y^{(i)}) = \sum_{n_i \in N^{(i)}}^{\oplus} R.A_{n_i}^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  (here  $Y = RG[U]$  and  $Y^{(i)} = RG^{(i)}[U^{(i)}]$ ), where  $A_n$  ( $n \in N$ ) and  $A_{n_i}^{(i)}$  ( $n_i \in N^{(i)}$ ) are defined as in §4.0. Let  $n = (n_1, n_2) \in N (= N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)})$ , and consider the diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & Y & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Y^{(1)} \otimes Y^{(2)} & \\
 7.4.8 \quad & \downarrow A_n & & \downarrow A_{n_1}^{(1)} \otimes A_{n_2}^{(2)} & \\
 & Y & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Y^{(1)} \otimes Y^{(2)} &
 \end{array} ,$$

where  $\alpha : Y \rightarrow Y^{(1)} \otimes Y^{(2)}$  is the RG-isomorphism which sends  $[U]$  to  $[U^{(1)}] \otimes [U^{(2)}]$  (in fact  $\alpha$  is induced from  $\Omega : RG \rightarrow RG^{(1)} \otimes RG^{(2)}$ , defined in the proof of 7.4.3). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha A_n([U]) &= \alpha([UnU]) \\ &= \alpha([U^{(1)}, U^{(2)}](n_1, n_2)(U^{(1)}, U^{(2)})) \\ &= \alpha([U^{(1)} n_1 U^{(1)}, U^{(2)} n_2 U^{(2)}]) \\ &= \alpha([U^{(1)} n_1 U^{(1)}], [U^{(2)} n_2 U^{(2)}]) \\ &= [U^{(1)} n_1 U^{(1)}] \otimes [U^{(2)} n_2 U^{(2)}] \\ &= (A_{n_1}^{(1)} \otimes A_{n_2}^{(2)}) \alpha([U]) . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\alpha A_n = (A_{n_1}^{(1)} \otimes A_{n_2}^{(2)}) \alpha$ , and so the diagram 7.4.8 is commutative.

Lemma 7.4.9 The map  $A_{(n_1, n_2)} \rightarrow A_{n_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R A_{n_2}^{(2)}$  ( $n_i \in N^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ )

defines an R-algebra isomorphism between  $E(Y)$  and  $E(Y^{(1)}) \otimes_R E(Y^{(2)})$ .

Proof The R-algebras  $E(Y)$  and  $E(Y^{(1)}) \otimes_R E(Y^{(2)})$  are isomorphic, since  $Y \cong \underset{R}{Y^{(1)} \otimes Y^{(2)}}$ . The lemma follows from the commutativity of diagram 7.4.8.  $\square$

We now return to the R-orders  $E(Y_x)$  and  $E(Y_{x_1}^{(1)}) \otimes_R E(Y_{x_2}^{(2)})$ , where  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \hat{H}$ . We have

$$E(Y_x) \cong E_x = e_x E(Y) e_x = \sum_{w \in W_x}^{\oplus} R \cdot e_x A(w) ,$$

and, for  $i = 1, 2$ ,

$$E(Y_{X_i}) \cong E_{X_i} = e_{X_i} E(Y^{(i)}) e_X = \sum_{v \in W_{X_i}^{(i)}}^{\oplus} R \cdot e_{X_i} A_{(v)}^{(i)},$$

where  $e_{X_i} = |H^{(i)}|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H^{(i)}} X_i (h^{-1}) A_h^{(i)}$  and  $W_X, W_{X_i}^{(i)}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ )

are the subgroups of  $W, W^{(i)}$ , which stabilize  $X, X_i$ , respectively.

If  $w = (v_1, v_2) \in W$  then  $w_X = (v_1 X_1, v_2 X_2)$  and so  $W_X = W_{X_1}^{(1)} \times W_{X_2}^{(2)}$ .

Proposition 7.4.10 The map  $e_X A_{(w)} \rightarrow e_{X_1} A_{(v_1)}^{(1)} \otimes_R e_{X_2} A_{(v_2)}^{(2)}$  ( $w = (v_1, v_2) \in W_X$ ) defines an algebra isomorphism between  $E_X$  and  $E_{X_1} \otimes_R E_{X_2}$ .

Proof We know that the  $R$ -orders  $E_X = \sum_{w \in W_X}^{\oplus} R \cdot e_X A_{(w)}$ , and

$$E_{X_1} \otimes_R E_{X_2} = \sum_{\substack{v_i \in W_{X_i}^{(i)} \\ i=1,2}}^{\oplus} R \cdot e_{X_1} A_{(v_1)}^{(1)} \otimes_R e_{X_2} A_{(v_2)}^{(2)} \text{ are isomorphic as } R\text{-algebras.}$$

The result follows since, for every  $w = (v_1, v_2) \in W_X = W_{X_1}^{(1)} \times W_{X_2}^{(2)}$ ,

the commutative diagram of 7.4.8 will induce a commutative diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc} Y_X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Y_{X_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R Y_{X_2}^{(2)} \\ \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ e_X A_{(w)} & & e_{X_1} A_{(v_1)}^{(1)} \otimes e_{X_2} A_{(v_2)}^{(2)} \\ Y_X & \xrightarrow{\alpha} & Y_{X_1}^{(1)} \otimes_R Y_{X_2}^{(2)} \end{array} \quad \square$$

Now suppose that  $(X, J)$  is an admissible  $(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -pair, with  $X = (X_1, X_2)$  and  $X_i \in \tilde{H}^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . By 7.4.7(ii), we may assume

that  $J = J_1 \dot{\cup} J_2$ , where  $J_i \subseteq P(\chi_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Let  $M(\chi, J)$ ,  $M(\chi_i, J_i)$  be the simple  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -,  $FG^{(i)}$ -module, which corresponds to the pairs  $(\chi, J)$  and  $(\chi_i, J_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , respectively (see §4.2). It is well-known (see [CRII], Thm. 10.33) that  $M(\chi_1, J_1) \underset{F}{\otimes} M(\chi_2, J_2)$  is simple  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module. Moreover, since  $F$  is a splitting field for  $G^{(i)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , every simple  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module is of the form  $M(\chi_1, J_1) \underset{F}{\otimes} M(\chi_2, J_2)$  for some admissible  $G^{(i)}$ -pair  $(\chi_i, J_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

Proposition 7.4.12  $M((\chi_1, \chi_2), J_1 \dot{\cup} J_2) \cong M(\chi_1, J_1) \underset{F}{\otimes} M(\chi_2, J_2)$  as  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -modules, for all admissible  $(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -pair  $((\chi_1, \chi_2), J_1 \dot{\cup} J_2)$ .

Proof We have seen in (§4.2, Thm. 4.2.5) that  $I_{U^{(i)}}(M(\chi_i, J_i))$  is a one-dimensional right  $E(FY^{(i)})$ -module affording the character  $\psi(\chi_i, J_i)$  of  $E(FY^{(i)})$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . That is  $I_{U^{(i)}}(M(\chi_i, J_i)) = F.m_i$ , where  $m_i \in M(\chi_i, J_i)$ , and

$$m_i \circ A_{h,F}^{(i)} = \chi_i(h) \quad \text{for all } h \in H^{(i)},$$

and

$$7.4.13 \quad m_i \circ A_{(w_j^{(i)}), F}^{(i)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } w_j^{(i)} \notin P(\chi_i) \setminus J_i \\ -m_i & \text{if } w_j^{(i)} \in P(\chi_i) \setminus J_i \end{cases},$$

for all  $w_j^{(i)} \in \underline{R}^{(i)}$ .

Since  $M(\chi_1, J_1) \underset{F}{\otimes} M(\chi_2, J_2)$  is a simple  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module, it

follows from theorem 4.2.5 that  $I_U(M(x_1, J_1) \otimes_F M(x_2, J_2))$

$$= I_{U(1)}(M(x_1, J_1)) \otimes_F I_{U(2)}(M(x_2, J_2))$$

$$= F.m_1 \otimes m_2$$

is a one-dimensional right  $E(FY)$ -module. To complete the proof it is enough to show that  $F.m_1 \otimes m_2$  affords the character  $\psi((x_1, x_2), J_1 \cup J_2)$  of  $E(Y)$ . Let  $n = (n_1, n_2) \in N = N^{(1)} \times N^{(2)}$ . Recall (from 2.2.13) that the action of  $A_{n_i, F}^{(i)} \in E(FY^{(i)})$  on  $m_i \in I_{U(i)}(M(x_i, J_i))$  is given by

$$m_i \circ A_{n_i, F}^{(i)} = a_{n_i} m_i,$$

where  $a_{n_i} \in FG^{(i)}$  is such that  $a_{n_i} [U^{(i)}] = A_{n_i, F}^{(i)}([U^{(i)}])$ .

Since  $A_{n_1, F}^{(1)} \otimes_F A_{n_2, F}^{(2)} ([U^{(1)}] \otimes [U^{(2)}]) = a_{n_1} [U^{(1)}] \otimes a_{n_2} [U^{(2)}]$

$$7.4.14 \quad = (a_{n_1} \otimes a_{n_2}) ([U^{(1)}] \otimes [U^{(2)}]),$$

it follows that

$$m_1 \otimes m_2 \circ A_{(n_1, n_2), F} = m_1 \otimes m_2 \circ A_{n_1, F}^{(1)} \otimes A_{n_2, F}^{(2)} \quad (\text{see 7.4.8})$$

$$= (a_{n_1} \otimes a_{n_2}) (m_1 \otimes m_2)$$

$$= a_{n_1} m_1 \otimes a_{n_2} m_2$$

$$7.4.15 \quad = m_1 \circ A_{n_1, F}^{(1)} \otimes m_2 \circ A_{n_2, F}^{(2)}.$$

It is clear that, for all  $h = (h_1, h_2) \in H$ ,

$$m_1 \otimes m_2 \circ A_{h, F} = (x_1, x_2)((h_1, h_2)) m_1 \otimes m_2.$$

Let  $w_i \in \underline{R} = \underline{R}^{(1)} \dot{\cup} \underline{R}^{(2)}$ . If  $w_i = w_i^{(1)} \in \underline{R}^{(1)}$ , then, identifying  $w_i^{(1)}$  with  $(w_i^{(1)}, 1) \in W^{(1)} \times W^{(2)}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 \otimes m_2 \circ A_{(w_i), F} &= m_1 \otimes m_2 \circ A_{((w_i^{(1)}), 1), F} \\
 &= m_1 \circ A_{(w_i^{(1)}), F} \otimes m_2 \circ A_{1, F} \quad \text{by 7.4.15} \\
 &= m_1 \circ A_{(w_i^{(1)}), F} \otimes m_2 \\
 7.4.16 \quad &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } w_i^{(1)} \notin P(x_1) \setminus J_1 \\ -m_1 \otimes m_2 & \text{if } w_i^{(1)} \in P(x_1) \setminus J_1 \end{cases} .
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if  $w_i = w_i^{(2)} \in \underline{R}^{(2)}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq \ell_2$ , then we will have

$$7.4.17 \quad m_1 \otimes m_2 \circ A_{(w_i), F} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } w_i^{(2)} \notin P(x_2) \setminus J_2 \\ -m_1 \otimes m_2 & \text{if } w_i^{(2)} \in P(x_2) \setminus J_2 \end{cases} .$$

Therefore, from 7.4.16 and 7.4.17, it follows that

$F.m_1 \otimes m_2 (= I_U(M(x_1, J_1) \otimes M(x_2, J_2)))$  affords the character  $\psi((x_1, x_2), J_1 \dot{\cup} J_2)$ . Hence, by theorem 4.2.5, we conclude that

$$M(x_1, J_1) \otimes_F M(x_2, J_2) \cong M((x_1, x_2), J_1 \dot{\cup} J_2)$$

as  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -modules. □

Now let  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \hat{H}$  and let

$$7.4.18 \quad Y_x = \sum_{J \in P(x)}^{\oplus} Y(x, J) ,$$

$$7.4.19 \quad Y_{x_i}^{(i)} = \sum_{J \in P(x_i)}^{\oplus} Y(x_i, J) , \quad i = 1, 2 ,$$



be the decomposition of  $Y_\chi$  and  $Y_{\chi_i}^{(i)}$  into a direct sum of mutually non-isomorphic indecomposable  $RG$ -,  $RG^{(i)}$ -lattices, respectively, according to 6.0.10.

Proposition 7.4.20 Let  $\chi = (\chi_1, \chi_2) \in \tilde{H}$  and suppose that  $(\chi, S)$  is an admissible  $(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -pair. If  $S = S_1 \cup S_2$ , then

$$Y(\chi, S) \cong_R Y(\chi_1, S_1) \oplus Y(\chi_2, S_2) .$$

To prove 7.4.20, we need the following

Lemma 7.4.21 Let  $G = (G, B, N, R, U)$  be any finite group with a split BN-pair of characteristic  $p$ . Let  $(\chi, S)$  be an admissible  $G$ -pair, and  $Y(\chi, S)$  be the indecomposable  $RG$ -summand of  $Y = RG[U]$  which corresponds to  $(\chi, S)$ . Then

$$E(FY(\chi, S)) / \underline{r}(E(FY(\chi, S))) \cong F .$$

Proof Let  $e = e(\chi, S)$  be the primitive idempotent of  $E(FY)$  which corresponds to the indecomposable  $FG$ -summand  $FY(\chi, S)$  of  $FY$ . Then we have  $E(FY(\chi, S)) \cong eE(FY)e$  (see appendix, lemma 1), and hence  $\underline{r}(E(FY(\chi, S))) \cong \underline{e}r(E(FY))e$  (see [CRII], Prop. 5.13). The right  $E(FY)$ -module  $eE(FY)$  is a projective cover of the one-dimensional right  $E(FY)$ -module  $S(\chi, S)$  which affords the character  $\psi(\chi, S)$  (see 4.2.4). Hence  $eE(FY) / \underline{e}r(E(FY)) \cong S(\chi, S)$  is also one-dimensional.

The map

$$x + \underline{e}r(E(FY)) \mapsto xe + \underline{e}r(E(FY))e ,$$

$x \in eE(FY)$ , is clearly an  $F$ -isomorphism between  $eE(FY) / \underline{e}r(E(FY))$

and  $eE(FY)e / \underline{e}r(E(FY))e$ . Therefore

$$E(FY(x,S))/\underline{r}(E(FY(x,S))) \stackrel{\sim}{=} eE(FY)e / \underline{e}r(E(FY))e$$

is one-dimensional, hence

$$E(FY(x,S)) / \underline{r}(E(FY(x,S))) \stackrel{\sim}{=} F.$$

□

Proof of 7.4.20 It is clear that  $Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes_R Y(x_2, S_2)$  is an  $R(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -summand of  $Y^{(1)} \otimes Y^{(2)} \stackrel{\sim}{=} Y$ .

(i) We first show that  $Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes_R Y(x_2, S_2)$  is indecomposable  $R(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -lattice by showing that  $FY(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F FY(x_2, S_2) \stackrel{\sim}{=} F \otimes_R (Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes_R Y(x_2, S_2))$

is indecomposable. Consider the endomorphism algebra

$$E(FY(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F FY(x_2, S_2)). \text{ We have}$$

$$E(FY(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F FY(x_2, S_2)) \stackrel{\sim}{=} E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2))$$

(see [CRII], 10.37). The ideal

$$M = \underline{r}(E(FY(x_1, S_1))) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2)) + E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F \underline{r}(E(FY(x_2, S_2)))$$

is a nilpotent ideal of  $E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2))$ , hence

$$M \leq \underline{r}(E(FY(x_1, S_1))) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2)). \text{ On the other hand}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2)) / M \\ \stackrel{\sim}{=} E(FY(x_1, S_1))/\underline{r}E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2))/\underline{r}(E(FY(x_2, S_2))) \end{aligned}$$

(see [CRII], proof of 10.38)

$$\stackrel{\sim}{=} F \otimes F \stackrel{\sim}{=} F, \text{ by 7.4.21}$$

is semisimple. Therefore,  $M$  contains  $\underline{r}(E(FY(x_1, S_1))) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2))$ ,

hence  $M = \underline{r}(E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2)))$ . Since  $E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2)) / M \cong F$ , it follows that  $E(FY(x_1, S_1)) \otimes_F E(FY(x_2, S_2)) \cong E(FY(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F FY(x_2, S_2))$  is local algebra, and so  $FY(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F FY(x_2, S_2)$  is indecomposable  $F(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module (see [CRII], Cor. 6.4). Consequently  $Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes Y(x_2, S_2)$  is indecomposable  $R(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -lattice.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) We have } Y_x &\cong \sum_{J \subseteq P(x)}^{\oplus} Y(x, J) \\ &\cong Y_{x_1}^{(1)} \otimes Y_{x_2}^{(2)}, \quad \text{by 7.4.3} \\ &\cong \sum_{\substack{J_1 \subseteq P(x_1) \\ J_2 \subseteq P(x_2)}}^{\oplus} Y(x_1, J_1) \otimes Y(x_2, J_2). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes Y(x_2, S_2)$  is an indecomposable  $R(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -lattice, it follows, using Krull-Schmidt theorem, that  $Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes Y(x_2, S_2) \cong Y(x, J)$  for a unique  $J \subseteq P(x)$ . But since the head of  $FY(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F FY(x_2, S_2)$  is isomorphic to  $M(x_1, S_1) \otimes_F M(x_2, S_2) (= M(x, S_1 \dot{\cup} S_2))$ , by 7.4.12, we must have  $J = S_1 \dot{\cup} S_2$ , and so

$$Y(x_1, S_1) \otimes Y(x_2, S_2) \cong Y(x, S_1 \dot{\cup} S_2).$$

This completes the proof of 7. 4.20. □

Let  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \tilde{H}$ . For  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $\{X_j^{(i)}, j \in I_i\}$  be the full set of simple  $KG^{(i)}$ -components of  $KY_{x_i}^{(i)}$ . Then  $\{X_i^{(1)} \otimes X_j^{(2)} \mid (i, j) \in I_1 \times I_2\}$  is a full set of simple  $K(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -components of  $KY_{x_1}^{(1)} \otimes KY_{x_2}^{(2)}$ . Since  $KY_x \cong KY_{x_1}^{(1)} \otimes_K KY_{x_2}^{(2)}$ , the simple  $K(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -

components of  $KY_X$  are also indexed by the set  $I_1 \times I_2$ . Let  $\{X_{i,j}, (i,j) \in I_1 \times I_2\}$  be the full set of simple  $K(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -components of  $KY_X$  and assume that  $X_{i,j} ((i,j) \in I_1 \times I_2)$  is taken to  $X_i^{(1)} \otimes_K X_j^{(2)}$  under the isomorphism  $KY \cong KY_{X_1}^{(1)} \otimes_K KY_{X_2}^{(2)}$ .

For  $(i,j) \in I_1 \times I_2$  and  $J \subseteq P(X)$ , let  $d_{(i,j),J}$  denote the  $((i,j),J)$ -entry of the decomposition matrix of the system  $(KE_X, E_X, FE_X)$ . Similarly, for  $j \in I_i$  ( $i = 1,2$ ) and  $S \subseteq P(X_i)$ , let  $d_{i,S}$  denote the  $(i,S)$ -entry of the decomposition matrix of the system  $(KE_{X_i}, E_{X_i}, FE_{X_i})$ .

Proposition 7.4.22 Let  $X = (X_1, X_2) \in \tilde{H}$ ,  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  be as above. Let  $S = S_1 \dot{\cup} S_2$  be a subset of  $P(X)$ . Then, for all  $(i,j) \in I_1 \times I_2$ ,

$$d_{(i,j),S} = d_{i,S_1} \cdot d_{i,S_2}$$

Proof From theorem 7.2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_{(i,j),S} &= d_{(i,j),S}^* \\ &= [X_{i,j} \mid KY(X,S)] \\ &= [X_i^{(1)} \otimes_K X_j^{(2)} \mid KY(X_1, S_1) \otimes_K KY(X_2, S_2)] , \text{ by 7.4.20.} \end{aligned}$$

For  $i = 1,2$ , let  $\eta_i$  be the  $K$ -character of  $G^{(i)}$  afforded by  $KY(X_i, S_i)$ . Let  $\theta_i^{(1)}, \theta_j^{(2)}$  be the irreducible  $K$ -character of  $G^{(1)}, G^{(2)}$ , which is afforded by  $X_i^{(1)}, X_j^{(2)}$ , respectively. Then the  $K(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module  $KY(X_1, S_1) \otimes_K KY(X_2, S_2)$  affords the  $K$ -character  $\eta_1 \eta_2$  which is given by

$$\eta_1 \eta_2 ((g_1, g_2)) := \eta_1(g_1) \eta_2(g_2) ,$$

for all  $(g_1, g_2) \in G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}$ . Similarly, the simple  $K(G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)})$ -module  $X_i^{(1)} \otimes X_j^{(2)}$  affords the character  $\theta_i^{(1)} \theta_j^{(2)}$ . It is well-known (see [CRII], Prop. 9.23(ii)) that

$$[X_i^{(1)} \otimes X_j^{(2)} \mid KY(X_1, S_1) \otimes KY(X_2, S_2)] = \langle \theta_i^{(1)} \theta_j^{(2)}, \eta_1 \eta_2 \rangle_{G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}}.$$

But  $\langle \theta_i^{(1)} \theta_j^{(2)}, \eta_1 \eta_2 \rangle_{G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{|G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}|} \sum_{(g_1, g_2) \in G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}} \theta_i^{(1)} \theta_j^{(2)}((g_1, g_2)) \cdot \eta_1 \eta_2((g_1^{-1}, g_2^{-1})) \\ &= |G^{(1)}|^{-1} |G^{(2)}|^{-1} \sum_{(g_1, g_2) \in G^{(1)} \times G^{(2)}} \theta_i^{(1)}(g_1) \theta_j^{(2)}(g_2) \eta_1(g_1^{-1}) \eta_2(g_2^{-1}) \\ &= \langle \theta_i^{(1)}, \eta_1 \rangle_{G^{(1)}} \cdot \langle \theta_j^{(2)}, \eta_2 \rangle_{G^{(2)}} \\ &= [X_i^{(1)} \mid KY(X_1, S_1)] \cdot [X_j^{(2)} \mid KY(X_2, S_2)]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} d_{(i,j),S} &= [X_i^{(1)} \otimes X_j^{(2)} \mid KY(X_1, S_1) \otimes KY(X_2, S_2)] \\ &= [X_i^{(1)} \mid KY(X_1, S_1)] [X_j^{(2)} \mid KY(X_2, S_2)] \\ &= d_{i,S_1}^* \cdot d_{j,S_2}^* \\ &= d_{i,S_1} \cdot d_{j,S_2} \quad \text{by theorem 7.2.3.} \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of 7.4.22. □

### §7.5 The Case Of The General Linear Group

Let  $G = GL(n, q)$ , the general linear group over a finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q (= GF(q))$ , where  $q$  is a power of a prime  $p > 0$ . Let  $(G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$  be the split BN-pair in  $G$  defined in 1.2.5.

In this section we apply the results of Chapters 6 and 7 to the case  $G = GL(n, q)$ . In particular we will see that the problem of calculating the decomposition numbers  $d_{i, (\chi, j)}$  (see 7.2.3) can be reduced to the case when  $\chi = 1$ .

Let  $(K, R, F)$  be a  $p$ -modular system such that  $K$  is a splitting field for  $G$  and all its subgroups. Let  $r : (\mathbb{F}_q^\times)_{q-1} \rightarrow (K^\times)_{q-1}$  be as in 4.1.14. Let  $s$  be a multiplicative generator of  $\mathbb{F}_q^\times$ , and for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , let

$$s_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & s_1 \\ & & & & \ddots \\ & & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}_i . \text{ It is clear that}$$

$H = B \cap N \cong \langle s_1 \rangle \times \langle s_2 \rangle \times \dots \times \langle s_n \rangle$ , where  $\langle s_i \rangle$  is a cyclic group of order  $q-1$ , for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . It follows from the representation theory of abelian groups (see [CRI], p.37) that the set  $\bar{H} = \text{Hom}(H, F^\times)$  of multiplicative characters of  $H$  is indexed by the set of all  $n$ -tuples  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ , where  $0 \leq a_i < q-1$ , for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . In fact

$$\bar{H} = \{ \chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \mid 0 \leq a_i < q-1, \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \} ,$$

where  $\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \bar{H}$  is given by:

$$7.5.1 \quad \chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) : \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & 0 \\ & x_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{a_i} ,$$

for all  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & x_1 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \in H$ . It is sometimes convenient to identify  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  with their residue classes mod  $(q-1)$ .

For every  $n$ -tuple  $(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ,  $0 \leq a_i < q-1$  let  $\chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  be the element of  $\tilde{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^\times)$  given by

$$7.5.2 \quad \chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n) : \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \prod_{i=1}^n \Gamma(x_i)^{a_i},$$

for all  $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & x_n \end{pmatrix} \in H$ .  $\chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  is the Brauer lift for

$\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  (i.e.  $\overline{\chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n)} = \chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)$ ), and the map

$$7.5.3 \quad \chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \mapsto \chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n)$$

gives a bijection between  $\bar{H}$  and  $\tilde{H}$ .

The Weyl group

$$W \cong S_n = \langle w_1 = (12), w_2 = (23), \dots, w_{n-1} = (n-1 \ n) \rangle \\ = \langle \underline{R} \rangle.$$

$W$  acts on  $\bar{H}$  as follows: if  $\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \bar{H}$ , and  $w \in W$ , then

$$7.5.4 \quad w\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) := \chi(a_{w^{-1}(1)}, \dots, a_{w^{-1}(n)}).$$

Therefore

$$W_{\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)} = \{w \in W \mid a_{w(i)} \equiv a_i \pmod{q-1}, \text{ for} \\ \text{all } i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}\}.$$

For every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ , we can take

$$\begin{matrix} i \\ i+1 \end{matrix}$$

for all  $w_i \in \underline{R}$ . For every  $i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ , we have

$$i+1$$

$$i \quad i+1$$

$$\begin{matrix} i \\ i+1 \end{matrix}$$

$$U_{-j}^>$$

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Therefore, if  $\chi = \chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \bar{H}$ , then

$$P(X) = \{w_i \in \underline{R} \mid a_i \equiv a_{i+1} \pmod{q-1}\} \quad .$$

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For every  $w_i \in \underline{R}$  and all  $x \in \mathbb{F}_q^X$ , we have

$$7.5.5 \quad (w_i)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & x & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} (w_i) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & -x^{-1} & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & x^{-1} & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} (w_i) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & -x^{-1} & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} .$$



We denote  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & x & \\ & & x^{-1} & \\ & & & \ddots \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  by  $h_i(x)$  .

Let  $\chi = \chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \bar{H}$  . Define a relation  $\sim$  on the set  $\underline{n} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as follows: if  $i, j \in \underline{n}$  , then  $i \sim j \Leftrightarrow a_i \equiv a_j \pmod{q-1}$  .  $\sim$  is clearly an equivalence relation. Let  $A_1, \dots, A_d$  be the set of equivalence  $\sim$ -classes of  $\underline{n}$  . Then it is clear that

$$W_{\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)} = S(A_1) \times \dots \times S(A_d) ,$$

where, for all  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$  ,

$$S(A_i) := \{w \in W \mid w(j) = j, \text{ for all } j \in \underline{n} \setminus A_i\} .$$

Since  $w\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \chi(a_{w^{-1}(1)}, \dots, a_{w^{-1}(n)})$  , for all  $w \in W$  , by

changing to another element of the  $W$ -orbit of  $\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)$  , we can arrange so that each  $A_j$  ,  $j \in \underline{d}$  , is an interval in  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  , i.e.  $A_j = \{i, i+1, \dots, m-1, m\}$  for some  $1 \leq i < m \leq n$  . In this case we have

$$W_{\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)} = \langle P(\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)) \rangle .$$

The following lemma summarizes the above argument.

Lemma 7.5.6 For every  $\chi \in \bar{H}$  , there is an element  $\lambda \in (\chi)$  with

$$W_\lambda = W_{P(\lambda)} ,$$

where  $(\chi)$  is the  $W$ -orbit of  $\chi$  in  $\bar{H}$  .

□

Remark 7.5.7 If  $\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \bar{H}$  and  $\chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \tilde{H}$  is its Brauer lift, then, for  $w \in W$ , we have  $w\chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n) = \chi^0(a_{w^{-1}(1)}, \dots, a_{w^{-1}(n)})$ .

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{w\chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_n)} &= \overline{\chi^0(a_{w^{-1}(1)}, \dots, a_{w^{-1}(n)})} \\ &= \overline{\chi(a_{w^{-1}(1)}, \dots, a_{w^{-1}(n)})} \\ &= \overline{w\chi(a_1, \dots, a_n)} . \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the argument of lemma 7.5.6 can be applied also to the  $W$ -orbit of  $\tilde{H} = \text{Hom}(H, K^X)$ .

It follows from lemma 7.5.6 that, since  $KY_{\tilde{X}} \cong KY_{W\tilde{X}}$  as  $KG$ -modules, for all  $\chi \in \tilde{H}$  and all  $w \in W$ , we may (and will) assume that

$$\chi = \chi^0(a_1, \dots, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_2, \dots, a_d, \dots, a_d) ,$$

where, for all  $1 \leq i \leq d$ ,  $\# a_i$ 's  $= |A_i| = \ell_i$ , say, and  $a_i \not\equiv a_j \pmod{q-1}$  for all  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq d$ . For every  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ , let  $\hat{\ell}_i = \ell_1 + \dots + \ell_i$ . Then it is clear that  $P(\chi) = \underline{R} \setminus \{w_{\ell_1}^{\wedge}, w_{\ell_2}^{\wedge}, \dots, w_{\ell_{d-1}}^{\wedge}\}$ , and that  $W_{\chi} = W_{P(\chi)}$ . By 7.2.11, the decomposition matrix  $D_{\chi}$  of the system  $(KE_{\chi}, E_{\chi}, FE_{\chi})$  is identical with the decomposition matrix  $D_{\chi, J}$  of the system  $(KE_{\chi, J}, E_{\chi, J}, FE_{\chi, J})$ , where  $J = P(\chi)$ . (Recall  $E_{\chi, J} \cong \text{End}_{RG_J}(Y_{\chi, J})$ ).

The parabolic subgroup  $G_{P(\chi)}$  is of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} GL(\ell_1, q) & & * & & * \\ & 0 & & GL(\ell_2, q) & \\ & & & \ddots & * \\ & 0 & & 0 & GL(\ell_d, q) \end{pmatrix}$$

with Levi subgroup

$$7.5.8 \quad L_{P(X)} = \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} GL(\ell_1, q) & & & \\ & GL(\ell_2, q) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & GL(\ell_d, q) \end{array} \right) \cong G^{(1)} \times \dots \times G^{(d)},$$

where  $G^{(i)} = GL(\ell_i, q)$ . For  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ , let

$(G^{(i)}, B^{(i)}, N^{(i)}, \underline{R}^{(i)}, U^{(i)})$  be the usual split BN-pair defined in  $G^{(i)}$ ,

and let  $H^{(i)} = B^{(i)} \cap N^{(i)}$ . By 7.4.1,

$(\prod_{i=1}^d G^{(i)}, \prod_{i=1}^d B^{(i)}, \prod_{i=1}^d N^{(i)}, \bigcup_{i=1}^d \underline{R}^{(i)}, \prod_{i=1}^d U^{(i)})$  forms a split BN-pair

in  $\prod_{i=1}^d G^{(i)}$  with  $\prod_{i=1}^d N^{(i)} \cap \prod_{i=1}^d B^{(i)} = \prod_{i=1}^d H^{(i)} (\cong H)$ . The Borel subgroup

$B_{P(X)}$  of  $L_{P(X)}$  has the form

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} B^{(1)} & & 0 & & & \\ & B^{(2)} & & & & \\ & & \ddots & & & \\ & & & 0 & & \\ & & & & B^{(d)} & \\ 0 & & & & & 0 \end{array} \right) \cong B^{(1)} \times \dots \times B^{(d)}.$$

From 7.2.12 we have  $Y_{X, P(X)} \cong (Y_X^{P(X)})_{G_{P(X)}}$  as  $RG_{P(X)}$ -lattice and by

7.2.20, the decomposition matrix  $D_{X, P(X)}$  of the system

$(KE_{X, P(X)}, E_{X, P(X)}, FE_{X, P(X)})$  is identical to the decomposition matrix

$D_X^J$  of the system  $(KE_X^J, E_X^J, FE_X^J)$  (Recall  $E_X^J \cong \text{End}_{RL_J}(Y_X^J)$ ), where

$J = P(X)$ .

Consider the  $RL_J$ -lattice  $Y_X^J = RL_J[U]\beta_X$ . For each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ ,

let  $x_i = x(a_i, a_i, \dots, a_i) \in \tilde{H}^{(i)}$ , and define  $x' = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d)$ .

It is clear that  $x'$  is a multiplicative character of  $\prod_{i=1}^d H^{(i)}$  and that

$$\begin{aligned}
 7.5.9 \quad Y_X^{P(X)} &\cong R(\prod_i G^{(i)}) [U]_{\beta_X} \\
 &\cong \bigotimes_{i=1}^d RG^{(i)} [U^{(i)}]_{\beta_{X_i}} \quad \text{by 7.4.3} .
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from 7.4.22 that the decomposition matrix  $D_{X, P(X)}$  can be determined from the decomposition matrices  $D_{X_i}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ) of the system  $(E(KY_{X_i}^{(i)}), E(Y_{X_i}^{(i)}), E(FY_{X_i}^{(i)}))$ , where  $Y_{X_i}^{(i)} = RG^{(i)}[U^{(i)}]_{\beta_{X_i}}$ . Since  $X_i = X(a_i, \dots, a_i)$ ,  $P(X_i) = \underline{R}^{(i)}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq d$ .

Therefore we may assume that  $X \in \tilde{H}$  with  $P(X) = \underline{R}$ . Since  $Y_X \cong Y_{(X, \underline{R})} \otimes_R Y_1$ , where  $Y_1 = RG[B]$  (see 6.0.20), we may take  $X = 1$ .

Consider the decomposition matrix  $D_1$  of the system  $(KE_1, E_1, FE_1)$ .  $KE_1$  is anti-isomorphic to the Hecke algebra  $H_K(q)$  of the BN-pair  $(G, B, N, \underline{R}, U)$ . Since  $H_K(q) \cong KS_n$ , it follows that the rows of  $D_1$  are indexed by the set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $S_n$ . It is well-known (see [GJ]) that the set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $S_n$  are indexed by the set of partitions

$$\begin{aligned}
 P = \{ \lambda = (\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots) / \lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \text{ for all } i \\
 \text{and } \sum_i \lambda_i = n \} .
 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\{\xi_\lambda, \lambda \in P\}$  be the full set of irreducible characters of  $W = S_n$ . The set  $P$  can be used also to index the set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $G$  which appear in  $1_B^G$ . Let  $\{\theta_\lambda, \lambda \in P\}$  be the full set of irreducible  $K$ -characters of  $G$  which appear in  $1_B^G$ . Since  $P(1) = \underline{R}$ , the columns of  $D_1$  are indexed by the subsets of  $\underline{R}$ . If  $\lambda \in P$  and  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , let  $d_{\lambda, J}$  denote the  $(\lambda, J)$ -entry of  $D_1$ . It follows from 7.2.31 that, for all  $\lambda \in P$  and all  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ,

$$7.5.10 \quad d_{\lambda, J} (= \langle \theta_{\lambda}, \eta_J \rangle) = \langle \xi_{\lambda}, \omega_J \rangle ,$$

where  $\eta_J \in \text{Ch}_K G$  and  $\omega_J \in \text{Ch}_K W$  are given by

$$\eta_J = \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} 1_{G_S}^G , \text{ and}$$

$$\omega_J = \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} 1_{W_S}^W$$

For each  $S \subseteq \underline{R}$  we associate a graph with nodes labelled  $1, 2, \dots, n$  in which nodes  $i, i+1$  are joined if  $w_i \in S$ .  $S \subseteq \underline{R}$  is called connected if the graph associated with  $S$  is connected in the usual sense, that is if the set  $\{i \mid w_i \in S\}$  is an interval in  $\{1, 2, \dots, \ell\}$ . In this way we can write any subset  $S$  of  $\underline{R}$  as a union of connected subsets by looking at its corresponding graph.

Example 7.5.11 Let  $n = 5$  and  $S = \{w_1, w_3, w_4\}$ . Then the graph of  $S$  is

$$x^1 \text{ --- } x^2 \quad x^3 \text{ --- } x^4 \text{ --- } x^5 .$$

We also have  $S = S_1 \cup S_2$  where  $S_1 = \{w_1\}$  and  $S_2 = \{w_3, w_4\}$ . Both  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are connected subsets of  $S$  in the above sense.

Definition 7.5.12 For each  $S \subseteq \underline{R}$ , we associate a partition  $\lambda(S)$  of  $n$  as follows: Write  $S = S_1 \dot{\cup} S_2 \dot{\cup} \dots \dot{\cup} S_r$  as a disjoint union of connected subsets of  $S$ , and assume that  $|S_1| \geq |S_2| \geq \dots \geq |S_r|$ . Define  $\lambda(S)$  to be the partition  $(|S_1| + 1, |S_2| + 1, \dots, |S_r| + 1, 1^{n_S})$ , where  $n_S = n - \sum_{i=1}^r |S_i| + 1$ .

For example in 7.5.11 the partition  $\lambda(S)$  of  $n = 5$ , associated with  $S = \{w_1, w_3, w_4\}$ , is  $(3, 2)$ .

Definition 7.5.13 (See [GJ], p.8): Let  $\lambda \in P$ .

(i) The Young diagram  $[\lambda]$  is  $\{(i,j) | i,j \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq i, 1 \leq j \leq \lambda_i\}$ .

If  $(i,j) \in [\lambda]$ , then  $(i,j)$  is called a node of  $[\lambda]$ .

(ii) A  $\lambda$ -tableau is one of the  $n!$  arrays of integers obtained by replacing each node in  $[\lambda]$  by one of the integers  $1, 2, \dots, n$  allowing no repeats.

For example if  $n = 9$  and  $\lambda = (4, 2^2, 1)$ , then  $[\lambda] =$


and

1	2	5	6
3	4		
7	8		
9			

is a  $\lambda$ -tableau.

For each partition  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$  of  $n$ , let

$$W(\lambda) = W\{1, \dots, \lambda_1\} \times W\{\lambda_1 + 1, \dots, \lambda_1 + \lambda_2\} \times \dots,$$

where  $W\{1, \dots, \lambda_1\}$  denotes the permutation group on the letters  $1, \dots, \lambda_1, \dots$  etc..  $W(\lambda)$  is a subgroup of  $W$  called Young subgroup of  $W$  of type  $\lambda$ . For example if  $n = 7$  and  $\lambda = (2^2, 3)$  then

$$W(\lambda) = W\{1, 2\} \times W\{3, 4\} \times W\{5, 6, 7\}.$$

It is clear that if  $S \subseteq \underline{R}$ , then  $W(\lambda(S)) \cong W_S (= \langle S \rangle)$ . Therefore if we let  $\phi^\lambda$  ( $\lambda \in P$ ) denote the induced character  $1_{W(\lambda)}^W$ , then  $\phi^{\lambda(S)} = 1_{W_S}^W$ . It follows that for every  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ,

$$7.5.14 \quad \omega_J = \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} \phi^{\lambda(S)}.$$

Writing  $\phi^{\lambda(S)}$  ( $S \subseteq \underline{R}$ ) as a combination of irreducible characters can be achieved using Young's rule. For that we need to use tableaux with repeated entries as the following definition suggests.

Definition 7.5.15 (See [GJ], p.44):

- (i) A tableau  $T$  is of type  $\mu$ , for some  $\mu \in P$ , if for each  $i$ , the number  $i$  occurs  $\mu_i$  times in  $T$ .

For example  $\begin{array}{cccc} 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & & \\ 4 & & & \end{array}$  is  $(4,2,1)$ -tableau of type  $(3,2,1^2)$ .

- (ii) A tableau  $T$  is semistandard if the numbers are non-decreasing along the rows of  $T$  and strictly increasing down columns of  $T$ .

The set of partitions of  $n$  is partially ordered by the following order: If  $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$  and  $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots)$  are partitions of  $n$ , then we write  $\mu \leq \lambda$  provided that for all  $j$

$$\sum_{i=1}^j \mu_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^j \lambda_i.$$

If  $\mu \leq \lambda$  and  $\lambda \neq \mu$  we write  $\mu < \lambda$ .

The proof of the following proposition can be found in James [GJ].

Proposition 7.5.16 If  $\lambda \in P$ , then:

- (i) (Young's Rule):  $\phi^\lambda = \sum_{\mu \in P} m_{\lambda, \mu} \xi_\mu$ , where for each  $\mu \in P$ ,  $m_{\lambda, \mu}$  is the number of  $\mu$ -tableaux of type  $\lambda$ ,

- (ii)  $\langle \xi_\lambda, \phi^\lambda \rangle_W = 1$ .

- (iii) If  $\lambda \neq \mu$  then

$$\langle \xi_\mu, \phi^\lambda \rangle_W \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda < \mu.$$

□

Lemma 7.5.17 If  $J_1, J_2 \subseteq \underline{R}$  with  $J_1 \subseteq J_2$  then  $\lambda(J_1) \leq \lambda(J_2)$ . □

Proposition 7.5.18 For every  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ , we have

$$\langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \omega_J \rangle_W = 1.$$

Proof We have from 7.5.14

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_J &= \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} \phi^{\lambda(S)} \\ &= \phi^{\lambda(J)} + \sum_{J \subset S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} \phi^{\lambda(S)} .\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \omega_J \rangle_W = \langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \phi^{\lambda(J)} \rangle_W + \sum_{J \subset S \subseteq \underline{R}} (-1)^{|S \setminus J|} \langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \phi^{\lambda(S)} \rangle_W .$$

By 7.5.17,  $J \subset S \Rightarrow \lambda(J) \triangleleft \lambda(S)$ , and by 7.5.16(iii) we have

$$J \subset S \Rightarrow \langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \phi^{\lambda(S)} \rangle_W = 0 .$$

Therefore, by 7.5.16 we have

$$\langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \omega_J \rangle_W = \langle \xi_{\lambda(J)}, \phi^{\lambda(J)} \rangle_W = 1 . \quad \square$$

For a subset  $J$  of  $\underline{R}$ , let  $\bar{J} = \underline{R} \setminus J$ . Let  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  and consider the induced  $RG$ -lattice  $Y_{\bar{J}}(1, \phi)^G$ . By 6.0.10 we have

$$7.5.19 \quad Y_{\bar{J}}(1, \phi)^G \cong \sum_{\substack{L \subseteq \underline{R} \\ L \cap \bar{J} = \emptyset}} Y(1, L) = \sum_{L \subseteq J} Y(1, L) .$$

We have seen in 6.0.20 that the  $KG_{\bar{J}}$ -module  $KY_{\bar{J}}(1, \phi)$  affords the Steinberg character  $\text{St}_{G_{\bar{J}}}$ . Therefore taking characters, in 7.5.19,

we have

$$7.5.20 \quad \text{St}_{G_{\bar{J}}}^G = \sum_{L \subseteq J} \eta_L .$$

On the other hand, from 4.2.2, we have

$$7.5.21 \quad 1_{G_J}^G = \sum_{J \subseteq S} \eta_S \quad \text{for all } J \subseteq \underline{R} .$$



Using the correspondence mentioned in 7.2.30, equations 7.5.20 and 7.5.21 will give

$$\epsilon_{W_J}^W = \sum_{L \subseteq J} \omega_L$$

and

$$1_{W_J}^W = \sum_{J \subseteq S \subseteq \underline{R}} \omega_S ,$$

for all  $J \subseteq R$ , where  $\epsilon_{W_J}$  is the alternating character of  $W_J$  (note that  $\epsilon_{W_J}$  corresponds to  $\text{St}_{G_J}$  under the correspondence of 7.2.30 (see [C1], Thm. 1)).

Definition 7.5.23 If  $[\lambda]$  is a diagram of  $\lambda \in P$ , the conjugate diagram  $[\tilde{\lambda}]$  is obtained by interchanging the rows and the columns in  $[\lambda]$ .  $\tilde{\lambda}$  is the partition of  $n$  conjugate to  $\lambda$ .

The following lemma is well-known (see for example [G4], §5).

Lemma 7.5.24 For each  $\lambda \in P$ ,  $1_{W(\lambda)}^W$  and  $\epsilon_{W(\tilde{\lambda})}^W$  have a unique irreducible character of  $W$  in common, namely  $\xi_\lambda$ . □

Proposition 7.5.25 Suppose that  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  is such that  $\lambda(\tilde{J}) = \widetilde{\lambda(J)}$ . Then, the virtual character  $\omega_J$  of  $W$  is irreducible and equal to  $\xi_{\lambda(J)}$ .

Proof It is clear from 7.5.22 that, for every  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$ ,  $\epsilon_{W_J}^W$  and  $1_{W_J}^W$  have the character  $\omega_J$  in common. Now suppose that  $J \subseteq \underline{R}$  with  $\lambda(\tilde{J}) = \widetilde{\lambda(J)}$ , then we have  $W(\lambda(\tilde{J})) = W(\widetilde{\lambda(J)})$ , and so  $\epsilon_{W_J}^W = \epsilon_{W(\lambda(\tilde{J}))}^W$ . But by 7.5.24,  $\epsilon_{W(\lambda(\tilde{J}))}^W$  and  $1_{W(\lambda(J))}^W$  have a unique irreducible character in common, namely  $\xi_{\lambda(J)}$ . Therefore  $\omega_J = \xi_{\lambda(J)}$ . This completes the proof of 7.5.25. □

Example  $G = GL(3, q)$  .

Every  $\chi \in \hat{H}$  has the form  $\chi(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  , where, for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  ,  $0 \leq a_i < q-1$  . The Weyl group  $W = S_3 = \langle w_1 = (12), w_2 = (23) \rangle$  . We choose the coset representatives of  $H$  in  $N$  as before. Let  $\chi = \chi(a_1, a_2, a_3) \in \hat{H}$  . Then

$$\chi|_{H_1} = 1 \iff \chi(x)^{a_1 - a_2} = 1 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{F}_q^\times .$$

$$\iff a_1 \equiv a_2 \pmod{q-1} .$$

Similarly

$$\chi|_{H_2} = 1 \iff a_2 \equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1} .$$

Therefore

$$7.5.26 \quad P(\chi(a_1, a_2, a_3)) = \begin{cases} \phi & \text{if } a_1 \not\equiv a_2 \not\equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1} \\ \{w_1\} & \text{if } a_1 \equiv a_2 ; a_2 \not\equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1} \\ \{w_2\} & \text{if } a_1 \not\equiv a_2 ; a_2 \equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1} \\ \{w_1, w_2\} & \text{if } a_1 \equiv a_2 \equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1} . \end{cases}$$

We discuss the following three cases:

I.  $\chi = \chi(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  ,  $a_1 \not\equiv a_2 \not\equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1}$  . It is clear that  $w\chi \neq \chi$  for all  $w \in W$  . Hence  $\chi$  is regular, and so the KG-module  $KY_\chi = e_\chi(KG[U])$  is simple KG-module.

By 7.5.26,  $P(\chi) = \phi$  and so the RG-lattice  $Y_\chi = e_\chi(RG[U])$  is indecomposable. The decomposition matrix  $D_\chi$  is the  $1 \times 1$  matrix (1) .

II.  $\chi = \chi(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  ,  $a_1 \equiv a_2$  ,  $a_2 \not\equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1}$  .

In this case  $P(\chi) = \{w_1\}$  , and  $W_\chi = \langle w_1 \rangle$  . Let  $v = w_2 w_1$  , then it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned}(\chi) &= \{\chi, v\chi, v^2\chi\} \\ &= \{\chi(a_1, a_2, a_3), \chi(a_1, a_3, a_2), \chi(a_3, a_2, a_1)\} .\end{aligned}$$

We note that although  $KY_\lambda \cong KY_\mu$  as KG-modules for all  $\lambda, \mu \in (\chi)$  (5.0.14(ii)), the RG-lattices  $Y_\lambda; \lambda \in (\chi)$  are mutually non-isomorphic (in fact  $\{Y_\lambda, \lambda \in (\chi)\}$  are different R-forms for the same KG-module). However we will discuss the three different cases.

(i) First, consider the KG-module  $KY_\chi = e_\chi(KG[U])$ . Since  $W_\chi = \langle w_1 \rangle$ , the R-order  $E_\chi (= e_\chi E e_\chi)$  has R-basis  $\{e_\chi, e_\chi A_{(w_1)}\}$  with multiplication relations:

$$\begin{aligned}7.5.27 \quad & e_\chi A_{(w_1)} e_\chi = e_\chi A_{(w_1)} , \\ & e_\chi A_{(w_1)}^2 = q e_\chi + (q-1) e_\chi A_{(w_1)} .\end{aligned}$$

So, putting  $a = e_\chi A_{(w_1)}$ , we have.

$$\begin{aligned}a^2 - (q-1)a - q &= 0 , \quad \text{hence} \\ (a+1)(a-q) &= 0 .\end{aligned}$$

From the last equation we deduce an orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition

$$7.5.28 \quad e_\chi = e_1 + e_2$$

of  $e_\chi$  in  $E_\chi$ , where  $e_1 = \frac{1}{q+1} (a + e_\chi)$ , and  $e_2 = \frac{-1}{q+1} (a - qe_\chi)$ .

Therefore, we have

$$7.5.29 \quad Y_\chi = e_1(Y_\chi) \oplus e_2(Y_\chi) = X_1 \oplus X_2 ,$$

where  $X_i = e_i(Y_\chi)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

By applying the functor  $\otimes_R K$  to equation 7.5.27, we get a similar

decomposition for  $\tilde{e}_x = e_x \otimes_R K = |H|^{-1} \sum_{h \in H} \chi(h^{-1}) A_{h,K}$ . In fact

$\tilde{e}_1 = e_1 \otimes_R K$  and  $\tilde{e}_2 = e_2 \otimes_R K$  remain primitive in  $KE_x$  and

$$\tilde{e}_x = \tilde{e}_1 + \tilde{e}_2$$

is an orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition of  $\tilde{e}_x$  in  $KE_x$ .

Consequently

$$7.5.30 \quad KY_x = \tilde{e}_1(KY_x) \oplus \tilde{e}_2(KY_x) = KX_1 \oplus KX_2,$$

where  $KX_1$  and  $KX_2$  are simple  $KG$ -components of  $KY_x$  of dimensions  $q^2 + q + 1$  and  $q(q^2 + q + 1)$ , respectively.

By reducing equation 7.5.28 mod( $\pi$ ), we get a primitive orthogonal idempotent decomposition

$$\bar{e}_x = \bar{e}_1 + \bar{e}_2$$

of  $\bar{e}_x (= e_x \otimes \text{Id}_F)$  in  $FE_x$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} FY_x &= \bar{e}_1(FY_x) \oplus \bar{e}_2(FY_x) \\ &= FY(x, \{w_1\}) \oplus FY(x, \phi), \end{aligned}$$

since  $P(x) = \{w_1\}$ . By comparing the dimensions (see [NT2], Thm. 4.11), we have

$$\bar{e}_1(FY_x) = FY(x, \{w_1\}) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{e}_2(FY_x) = FY(x, \phi).$$

Therefore,  $Y(x, \{w_1\}) = e_1(Y_x) = X_1$  and  $Y(x, \phi) = e_2(Y_x) = X_2$ , and so

$$D_x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(ii) We now consider the system  $(KE_{v_x}, E_{v_x}, FE_{v_x})$ .

$v_X = v_X(a_1, a_2, a_3) = x(a_1, a_3, a_2)$ , hence  $P(v_X) = \phi$  and  $W_{v_X} = \{1, w_0\}$  (note that  $W_{v_X}$  is not a reflection subgroup). Since  $P(v_X) = \phi$ ,  $FY_{v_X} (= \bar{e}_{v_X}(FY))$  is an indecomposable FG-module, hence  $Y_{v_X} (= e_{v_X}(Y))$  is also indecomposable. Consequently, both  $e_{v_X}$  and  $\bar{e}_{v_X}$  are primitive in  $E_{v_X}$  and  $FE_{v_X}$ , respectively.

The K-algebra  $KE_{v_X}$  has K-basis  $\{\tilde{e}_{v_X}, \tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K}\}$ , with multiplication relations given by

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K} \tilde{e}_{v_X} &= \tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K}, \\ 7.5.31 \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K}^2 &= q^3 \tilde{e}_{v_X} + q(q-1) \tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K}. \end{aligned}$$

From the relation 7.5.31, we deduce an orthogonal primitive idempotent decomposition

$$\tilde{e}_{v_X} = t_1 + t_2$$

of  $\tilde{e}_{v_X}$  in  $KE_{v_X}$ , where  $t_1 = \frac{1}{q(q+1)} (\tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K} + q\tilde{e}_{v_X})$  and  $t_2 = \frac{-1}{q(q+1)} (\tilde{e}_{v_X} A_{(w_0), K} - q^2\tilde{e}_{v_X})$ . Hence

$$KY_{v_X} = t_1(KY_{v_X}) \oplus t_2(KY_{v_X}) \cong KX_1 \oplus KX_2, \quad \text{and so}$$

$$D_{v_X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(iii) Consider the system  $(KE_{v_X^2}, E_{v_X^2}, FE_{v_X^2})$ .  $v_X^2 = x(a_3, a_1, a_2)$  and so  $P(v_X^2) = \{w_2\}$  (remember that  $a_1 \equiv a_2 \pmod{q-1}$ ) and  $W_{v_X^2} = \{1, w_2\}$ .

It follows that the R-order  $E_{v_X^2}$  has R-basis  $\{e_{v_X^2}, e_{v_X^2} A_{(w_2)}\}$  with multiplication relations

$$e_{v_x^2}^{A(w_2)} e_{v_x^2} = e_{v_x^2}^{A(w_2)}$$

7.5.32 and

$$e_{v_x^2}^{A^2(w_2)} = q e_{v_x^2} + (q-1) e_{v_x^2}^{A(w_2)} .$$

This case is similar to case (i) above and so we will have

$$D_{v_x^2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} .$$

Note that  $v_x^2 = w_0 x$  and case (i) and (iii) above verify theorem 7.3.26

III.  $x = x(a_1, a_2, a_3)$  ,  $a_1 \equiv a_2 \equiv a_3 \pmod{q-1}$  .

In this case  $P(x) = \underline{R} = \{w_1, w_2\}$  and so  $Y_x = Y(x, \underline{R}) \otimes_R Y_1$  , by 6.0.20, where  $Y_1 = \text{RG}[B]$  . Therefore, we may assume that  $x = 1 (= x(0,0,0))$ . By 7.2.30, the rows of the decomposition matrix  $D_1$  are indexed by the set of partitions  $\{(1^3), (2,1), (3)\}$  of  $n = 3$  . Since  $P(1) = \underline{R}$  , the columns of  $D_1$  are indexed by all subsets of  $\underline{R}$  . However  $D_1$  has the form

$$D_1 = \begin{matrix} & \phi & \{w_1\} & \{w_2\} & \underline{R} \\ \begin{matrix} (1^3) \\ (2,1) \\ (3) \end{matrix} & \left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{array} \right) & . \end{matrix}$$

The following tables give the decomposition matrix  $D_1$  of the system  $(KE_1, E_1, FE_1)$  , for  $n = 4$  and  $n = 5$  .

$$n = 4$$

$\begin{array}{c} J \\ \lambda \end{array} \quad d_{\lambda,J}$	$\phi$	$\{w_1\}$	$\{w_2\}$	$\{w_3\}$	$\{w_1, w_2\}$	$\{w_1, w_3\}$	$\{w_2, w_3\}$	$\underline{R}$
(4)								1
(3,1)					1	1	1	
(2 <sup>2</sup> )			1			1		
(2,1 <sup>2</sup> )		1	1	1				
1 <sup>4</sup>	1							

Table 7.5.34: The decomposition matrix  $D_1$  of the system  $(KE_1, E_1, FE_1)$ , where  $n = 4$ .

$$n = 5$$

$\begin{array}{c} J \\ \lambda \diagdown d_{\lambda, J} \end{array}$	$\phi$	$\{w_1\}$	$\{w_2\}$	$\{w_3\}$	$\{w_4\}$	$\{w_1, w_2\}$	$\{w_1, w_3\}$	$\{w_1, w_4\}$	$\{w_2, w_3\}$	$\{w_2, w_4\}$	$\{w_3, w_4\}$	$\{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$	$\{w_1, w_2, w_4\}$	$\{w_1, w_3, w_4\}$	$\{w_2, w_3, w_4\}$	$\underline{R}$
(5)																1
(4,1)										1			1		1	
(3,2)							1		1	1			1		1	
(3,1 <sup>2</sup> )						1	1	1	1	1		1				
(2 <sup>2</sup> ,1)			1	1			1	1		1						
(2,1 <sup>3</sup> )		1	1	1	1											
(1 <sup>5</sup> )	1															

Table 7.5.33: The decomposition matrix  $D_1$  of the system  $(KE_1, E_1, FE_1)$ , where  $n = 5$ .



# Appendix

Let  $\Lambda$  be a finite dimensional algebra over a field  $k$ . In this appendix we prove two lemmas which have been used in various places in the thesis.

Let  $V$  be a finitely generated left  $\Lambda$ -module. Suppose that

$$V = V_1 \oplus V_2 \oplus \dots \oplus V_d$$

is a decomposition of  $V$  into a direct sum of  $\Lambda$ -modules. For each  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ , let  $\pi_i : V \rightarrow V_i$  be the projection of  $V$  onto  $V_i$ , and  $\mu_i : V_i \rightarrow V$  be the inclusion map. Then, putting  $e_i = \mu_i \pi_i$ ,  $e_i$  is idempotent in  $E(V)$  and  $1_{E(V)} = \sum_i e_i$  is a primitive decomposition. We also have  $\pi_i \mu_i = \text{identity map on } V_i$ .

Lemma 1 :  $\text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i) \cong e_i \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V) e_i$  as  $k$ -algebras, for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ .

Proof Let  $\phi : \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i) \rightarrow \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V)$  be the  $k$ -map given by

$$\phi(f) := \mu_i f \pi_i$$

for  $f \in \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i)$ .

$\phi$  is not an algebra map

(since  $\phi(1_{E(V_i)}) \neq 1_{E(V)}$ ) but we have

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_i & \xleftarrow{\pi_i} & V \\ f \downarrow & & \downarrow \mu_i f \pi_i \\ V_i & \xrightarrow{\mu_i} & V \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Image of } \phi &= \mu_i \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i) \pi_i \\ &= \mu_i (\pi_i \mu_i) \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i) (\pi_i \mu_i) \pi_i \\ &= (\mu_i \pi_i) \mu_i \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i) \pi_i (\mu_i \pi_i) \\ &\subseteq e_i \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V) e_i. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we may regard  $\phi$  as a map  $\text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i) \rightarrow e_i \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V) e_i$ , in which case  $\phi$  is obviously  $k$ -algebra map. The  $k$ -map  $\phi' : e_i \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V) e_i \rightarrow \text{End}_{\Lambda}(V_i)$

$$\phi'(\xi) := \pi_i \xi \mu_i$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} V_i & \xrightarrow{\mu_i} & V \\ \pi_i \xi \mu_i \downarrow & & \downarrow \xi \\ V_i & \xleftarrow{\pi_i} & V \end{array}$$

$(\xi \in E_\Lambda(V))$  defines an inverse of  $\phi$ . Therefore we have

$$E_\Lambda(V_i) \cong e_i E(V) e_i \quad \text{as } k\text{-algebras.} \quad \square$$

Lemma 2 (Triangle Lemma): Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3 \in \text{mod } \Lambda$  and let  $f \in (X_1, X_2)_\Lambda$ ,  $g \in (X_2, X_3)_\Lambda$ . If  $gf$  is isomorphism then

$$X_2 = \text{Im } f \oplus \text{Ker } g.$$

Proof Let  $x \in X_2$ . Put  $x_1 = (f(gf)^{-1}g)(x)$  and  $x_2 = x - x_1$ . It is clear that  $x_1 \in \text{Im } f$  and  $x_2 \in \text{Ker } g$ , since  $g(x_2) = g(x) - (gf(gf)^{-1}g)(x) = g(x) - g(x) = 0$ . Hence  $x = x_1 + x_2$  and so  $X_2 = \text{Im } f + \text{Ker } g$ . To finish the proof we must show that  $\text{Im } f \cap \text{Ker } g = 0$ . Let  $y = f(x)$  ( $x \in X_1$ ) lie in  $\text{Im } f \cap \text{Ker } g$ . Then  $0 = g(y) = (gf)(x)$ , but since  $gf$  is isomorphism, we have  $x = 0$ , and hence  $y = 0$ . Therefore we have

$$X_2 = \text{Im } f \oplus \text{Ker } g$$

and this completes the proof of lemma 2. □

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